## INTRODUCTION:

MASA's are required to:

- Develop policies and procedures for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area of the authority;
- Communicate to persons and bodies in the area of the authority the need to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, raising their awareness of how this can best be done and encouraging them to do so;
- Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of what is done by partners individually and collectively to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and advise them on ways to improve;
- Participate in the planning of services for children in the area of the authority and;
- Undertake learning reviews of serious incidents and advise the authority and their Board partners on lessons to be learned.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

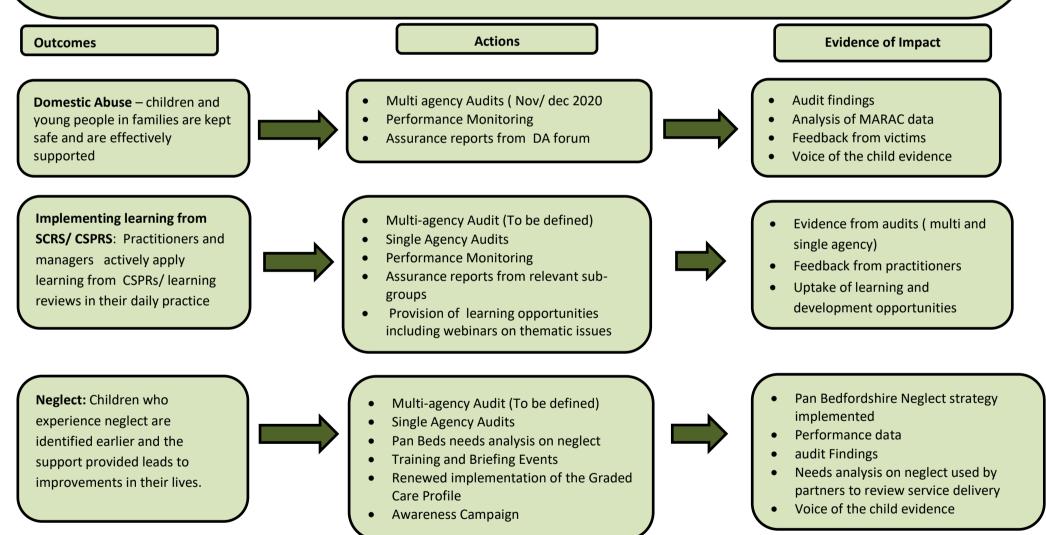
The Safeguarding Partnerships should:

- a) Have an informed understanding of safeguarding arrangements and performance in single agencies and an authoritative oversight of the quality of front-line multi agency practice.
- b) Have effective governance arrangements and operating structure, with clear lines of accountability with other strategic partnerships, and be able to demonstrate its influence on the work of those partnerships. Boards have a strong culture of challenge that is the responsibility of all Board members.
- c) Ensure learning from audits, case reviews, Serious Case Reviews, Significant Incidents and Safeguarding Adult Reviews is identified and is used to develop practice and service provision.
- d) Ensure the provision of high quality multi agency safeguarding training and evaluate the impact on practice of such training

## **KEY THEMES/PRIORITIES:**

The Board has also identified one joint area (with the LSAB) and three key areas to focus its work upon:

- Domestic abuse ( joint with LSAB)
- Implementing learning from SCR/CSPRs
- Neglect (Pan beds)
- Children's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health (Pan Beds)
- All of these will consider the impact of COVID 19 on children and their families



## **Children's Mental Health:**

Children and young people are able to access appropriate advice and have good support to manage issues of poor emotional wellbeing and / or mental health.



- Single Agency Audits
- Performance Monitoring
- Assurance reports and updates from partners
- Training



- Feedback from the SHEU Survey
- Audit Findings
- ELFT/CAMHS Performance Measures
- Voice of the child evidence

**CSE/ Missing:** Children and young people are kept safe. Partners work together to ensure safetv



- Single Agency Audits
- Performance Monitoring
- Assurance reports and updates from partners
- Training



- Performance data (reduced missing episodes)
- Audit Findings
- Voice of the child evidence