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New adult safeguarding chairman

Bexley Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) welcomed Eleanor Brazil as its new independent Chairman this month.

The BSAB works to protect and promote individual human rights, so that adults stay safe and are protected from abuse, neglect, discrimination, or poor treatment.

Eleanor said; "I am delighted to be appointed to this key role. Protecting vulnerable adults and enhancing their lives is something very important to me. There is a strong partnership in place in Bexley doing some excellent work on this. It is a privilege and pleasure to join them and to chair the Board.'

Eleanor has previously held director or deputy director positions in children's and adult social care across the country following a successful career working in London and the south-east. She also held director roles in housing, health and adult commissioning, and has experience of chairing multi-agency safeguarding and improvement boards.

Cabinet Member for Adult Services, Cllr Brad Smith said: "It is great to welcome Eleanor to Bexley. Her vast experience working with other local authorities means she brings a wealth of knowledge to the board. Our commitment to adult safeguarding means that we expect the best from our local board and I'm confident that Eleanor will provide us with the support we need."

If you are concerned that an adult you know may be at risk of abuse, harm or neglect, from either an individual or an organisation, please contact the Safeguarding Adults Team by calling 020 8303 7777. In an emergency always call 999.

Support and guidance is also available at www.safeguardingadultsinbexley.com

For general information about the BSAB email bsab@bexley.gov.uk

Notes to editors –

The Bexley Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) is a statutory body established by the Care Act 2014. It is made up of senior people from organisations that have a role in preventing the neglect and abuse from adults. Its main objective is to protect all adults in its area who have needs for care and support and who are experiencing or at risk of abuse or neglect against which they are unable to protect themselves because of their needs.

The Bexley Safeguarding Adults Board (BSAB) meets on a quarterly basis (every 3 months) and is supported by an executive Chairs Group. The Chairs Group are the named leads of all the BSAB Sub Groups which also meets quarterly. The Sub Groups of the BSAB are considered where the work of the Board takes place outside of the statutory Board meetings.

The Sub Groups are:

- Publicity & Communications
- Local Implementation Network (LIN)
- Serious Adult Review (SAR) / Best Practice & Learning Lessons
- Performance Management & Quality Assurance / Training & Development

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