



<u>Statement from Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Adult Safeguarding Partnership Board and Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board in relation to the Safeguarding Adults Review about Clive Treacey.</u>

Clive Treacey had significant support needs and was a resident in several care establishments in different counties. During his time as a resident between 1993 and 2015 concerns regarding the standard of his care, potential abuse and the subsequent responses to those concerns were reported.

Following Clive's death, a Safeguarding Adults Review was jointly commissioned by the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Adult Safeguarding Partnership Board and the Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board, to be led by an independent author covering the period 1993 to 2021.

Today, (18<sup>th</sup> April) the Safeguarding Adult Review is published, the findings of which highlight missed opportunities to explore the potential risks posed to Clive and others, following receipt of information provided by Clive his family and practitioners. The findings are accepted by both safeguarding adult's boards.

The purpose of a Safeguarding Adults Review is to identify learning to drive professional practise improvement and avoid similar issues reoccurring in the future. Both safeguarding boards are grateful for the work of the author and fully support the recommendations made.

The Boards have apologised to Clive's family for the responses to the disclosures made and the distress this has caused to them over many years and for the length of time it has taken to understand the impact this has had on their lives.

The public can be reassured that social care and safeguarding have already improved significantly during the last three decades with new legislation, computerised records systems, professional practise and the independent inspection regimes developed to ensure that service users can have more confidence in the way they are cared for, supported, involved and protected.

Nevertheless, both safeguarding boards are committed to ensuring that the further learning identified in the review is actioned and progressed. Work has already started and will continue locally with our partners and at a national level where appropriate.



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