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National Independent  
Safeguarding Board Wales

## **National Independent Safeguarding Board Meeting NISB**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** May 13<sup>th</sup> 2026 **Time:** 09.30am.

In Person Meeting Cardiff.

#### **Attendees:**

- Tony Young (NISB Chair)
- Lin Slater (NISB Vice Chair)
- Desmond Mannion (Board Member)
- Artie Meakin (Board Member)
- Dave Street (Board Member)
- John Williams (Board Member)

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**1. Welcome and Apologies:** The meeting commenced with greetings and confirmation of attendance.

**2. Conflict of Interest Declarations:** The Board declared no conflicts of interest.

**3. Minutes & Actions of Previous Meeting:** The minutes from the previous meeting were recirculated and a request was made to notify the secretariat of approval as a true record. Actions from the previous meeting were discussed and acknowledged.

**4. Safeguarding Data work update.** The Board considered a Man Met presentation, recently received, on their analysis of current capture of Welsh national safeguarding data. It was agreed that the analysis raised helpful questions and demonstrated the compelling need to look at data in a different way. The potential helpfulness of a round table event with the RSBs was considered. It was agreed to discuss with Welsh Government colleagues with the aim of supporting Welsh Governments planned work in this area. **Action Chair to consider with WG.**

**5. RSB and NISB annual reports.** Consideration was given to the RSB annual reports as a means of reporting on safeguarding effectiveness and whether the current template is a successfully method for capturing this. These reports, in turn, provide the data to

inform the NISB annual report, in making comment on Welsh safeguarding effectiveness. A review of the annual reports in this regard would be helpful. It was agreed to discuss this issue with the RSB Business Managers and Chairs.

## **6. CPR Thematic Update -**

The CPR thematic report is nearing finalisation and is expected before the end of the month. A planned round table event to share learning will also include a compendium of the recommendations made in this and the Welsh CPR thematic review undertaken in 2023 to consider impact. **Action Complete translation and Dissemination EL; Round Table event hold the date. EL.**

**7. NISB Communications Strategy & Website:** The board received an in-depth presentation from Dan Eatly from Golly Slater, providing the methodology used and outcomes from the stakeholders' interviews to capture perceptions of the National Board, its purpose and ways of engagement. This was welcomed by the Board who were pleased to note the very positive perceptions and to better understand the expectations placed on the Board. The NISB website will inform any users of its status of being 'under development' until the redesign is completed. Further development session to be planned with the Board and website developers.

## **7. Safeguarding Week – Conference:**

The board discussed plans for the November Safeguarding Conference, agreeing to focus on adult safeguarding themes. Collaboration with academic partners and media support was considered important. It was agreed to hold the NISB conference in the week preceding Safeguarding Week to allow attendance at the many events that will be on offer in Safeguarding week. A task group of NISB members will progress the programme. **Action: Confirm the dates of Safeguarding Week EL.**

**8. Budget Update:** Budget report to be presented to next meeting. **Action EL.**

**9. Workplan:** The NISB strategy and workplan has been finalised. A working internal facing workplan is in development. **Action DM**

**10. APR Thematic:** The NISB rolling programme of practice review thematics requires the commissioning of an adult themes review for 2026. It was agreed in the first instance, to request from the WSR the published reviews undertaken to consider whether there is enough reviews to make this worthwhile and the TOR for the thematic. **Action: Request Reports from WSR EL**

**11. Regional Board and Stakeholder Update :** The regional boards reported on recent practice reviews, challenges, and work in progress. Stakeholder engagement with academic, government, and health groups was discussed, stressing the need for stronger collaboration and improved data sharing.

## **12. Any Other Business (AOB)**

(i) NISB induction for new members document to be circulated following final amendments. **Action EL**

(ii) It was noted that this was the last meeting for Tony Young, Chair of NISB. Tony had served on the Board for 7 years, in the last 3 as its Chair.

On behalf of the Board, the new Chair, Dave Street thanked Tony for his significant contribution and dedication to the work of the Board recognising its lasting impact.

The Board were pleased to welcome Dave Street as the new Chair of NISB

### **Meeting Close**

Next Meeting Planned for June 10<sup>th</sup>, 9.30 am Teams.

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