



PROVIDER FORUM NEWSLETTER

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If you want to raise a new **safeguarding concern**, this can be done by calling 01472 256 256.

If you have any **query regarding an open safeguarding case, or a closed/or archived case**, please call 01472 232 244.

If you would like to speak with somebody within the **training teams**, please call 0300 330 2975 for Training and 0300 330 2830 for Employee Services or visit the website:

[Training & Recruitment – Focus \(focusadultsocialwork.co.uk\)](https://focusadultsocialwork.co.uk)

LIBERTY PROTECTION SAFEGUARDS - UPDATE

It has been announced that the current legislative arrangements for the authorisation of deprivation of liberty in both standard and non standard settings will remain for the foreseeable future. However, this does not mean that best practice guidance will not evolve now that we know that the LPS will not be implemented for some considerable time. Therefore, work is ongoing, both nationally and locally to determine what needs to be done next in order to manage applications and authorisations to achieve the best outcomes for individuals whose care arrangements amount to a deprivation of liberty.

Click on the link below for Alex Ruck Keene's update on the LPS:

<https://www.mentalcapacitylawandpolicy.org.uk/liberty-protection-safeguards-newsflash-implementation-delayed-beyond-the-life-of-this-parliament/>

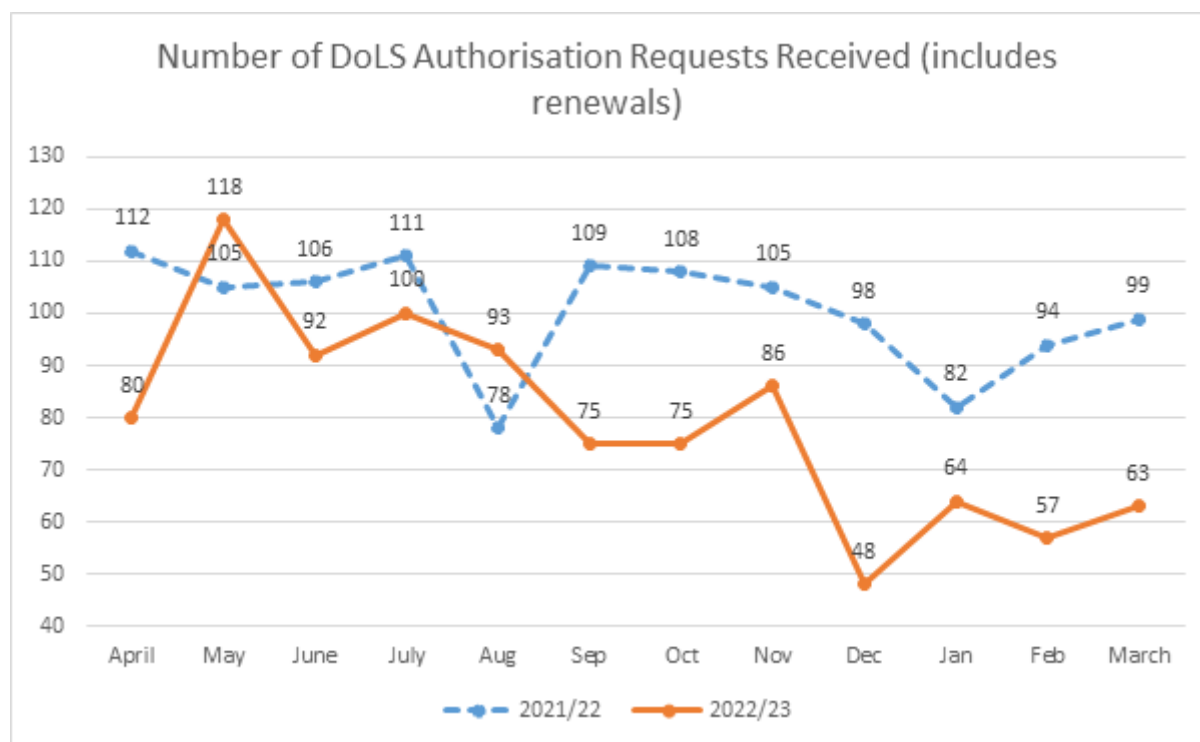
SAFEGUARDING AND MCA NEWSLETTER

For the latest Safeguarding and MCA newsletter, please click onto the link below:

[mca-safeguarding-adults-e-newsletter March 2023](#)

DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY SAFEGUARDS ACTIVITY REPORT – QUARTER 4 2022/23

The following provides an overview of the authorisation of deprivations of liberty within NEL over the period January - March 2023:



- Application rates continue to fluctuate in line with seasonal variation. This is believed to be spikes and troughs associated with renewals, combined with the use of residential placements to prevent hospital admissions and support discharges.
- The social care:health split of applications is approx. 80:20.

OUTCOMES

- 308 applications processed this quarter
- Number of authorisations granted this quarter is 154 (compared to 146 in Q3)
- 154 applications not authorised in Q4, comprised of the following:
 - 66 = deceased
 - 92 = discharged
 - 6 = assessment criteria not met (5 = mental capacity, 1 = eligibility)
 - 1 = not applicable

OPERATIONAL

- The number of active authorisations at the end of Q4 stands at 370
- Reliance on out of hours BIA assessment activity remains a risk
- The number of BIA assessments completed in Q4 = 157

INTRODUCING DARREN DOWNS, THE NEWLY APPOINTED INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD



Darren Downs is a retired Assistant Chief Constable from Humberside Police who was responsible for policing across the four local authority areas, including Response, CID, Neighbourhoods, Custody, Call Handling, Community Safety and Crime Management. Darren was lead officer for ED & I, Hate Crime, Police Uplift and VAWG programmes of work. During policing Darren was a specialist in Public Order, Firearms and Major Events and Sports, having worked in the Public Order Field for over 20 years and held every role up to and including Gold Public Order Commander, as well as being a Strategic Firearms Commander (SFC) and trained to manage major incidents (MAGIC).

Darren held many roles whilst progressing through the ranks, including Divisional Commander North Bank and South Bank, Force Control Room, Human Resources, Roads Policing, Specialist Ops, Custody, Neighbourhood Policing, Corporate Development and Diversity unit, and led on numerous change management projects. He was the strategic lead for major partnerships across Humberside, including The Community Safety Partnerships, Safeguarding Adults, Safeguarding Children and Place Boards, having extensive experience and connections in local partnerships.

Darren has developed numerous leadership programmes, studying a range of models across policing and the impacts on individuals, organisations and communities, and has studied and created training products around leadership principles such as "Feel the Fear" and developing authentic leadership. Darren has also created a well-being and communication model to better manage the complexity and demands of leadership and how to have difficult conversations. Darren is now lecturing on the professional policing and criminology degrees at Hull University and is also the director of a leadership consultancy, specialising in review activity, training and coaching and mentoring at an executive level.

Written by Darren Downs, May 2023

VULNERABLE ADULTS

A vulnerable adult is defined as someone 18 years of age or over who is, or may be, in need of community care services by reason of mental or other disability, age of illness; and are unable to take care of themselves, or unable to protect themselves against significant harm or exploitation.

Safeguarding adults can include any work or activity which aims to support vulnerable adults to retain independence, well-being, and choice. To do this, we employ an inter-agency policy called [Making Safeguarding Personal](#). The safeguarding of vulnerable adults is extremely important and on North East Lincolnshire [SaferNEL](#) website, it is dedicated to safeguarding adults including the safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) where you will find, policy, training links and links to related reading.

Click on the following links for Resources:

[Safeguarding Adults - Multi-Agency Policy and Procedure](#)

[Safeguarding Adults Board - SaferNEL](#)

WORK IN ADULT SOCIAL CARE: Explore roles and find a job in your local area

If you have a friend or relative who's looking for a new opportunity, then it would be worth sharing details of this event.

Over the last 18 months, local health and care partners in North East Lincolnshire have been coming together to host recruitment events to support local people who are thinking about a career in care to find out more. The next of those will take place at **Grimsby Town Hall on 15th June from 10am until 3pm.**

There are lots of different roles available within adult social care that are not only incredibly rewarding but can also offer a great deal of flexibility for people who may have young families or other commitments. Many of the providers and companies attending the event are currently recruiting to a range of jobs in North East Lincolnshire and will be available to discuss potential careers in care and current vacancies.

Advisors from the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) will also be on hand to answer any questions on employment and benefits and can even help to calculate potential income.



Fancy a career in care and support?

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

Come to our Adult Social Care Recruitment event

15th June - 10am to 3pm
Grimsby Town Hall,
Town Hall Square,
Grimsby, DN31 1HU

Talk to our professionals about finding your path into care & support.