

Stockport SAB & SCP COVID-19 EBulletin



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Hello and welcome.

The last few months have been unprecedented; we would like to start by thanking you and your teams for the vital work you are doing to keep our communities safe. There has been a great deal of fantastic collaborative work that is being done to support the most vulnerable people of Stockport.

In the last few months we have continued to meet to ensure that we meet our statutory duties. We have met on a more frequent basis making use of modern technology to hold virtual meetings.



As we start to move towards business as usual but done differently we have stepped down the Partnership Covid meetings and the ongoing work will be picked up through the Quality Assurance and the Practice Improvement Partnerships. Thanks to all partners who have contributed to them and we will endeavour to keep you informed through the newsletters.

Our aim for this newsletter is to try and capture some key important information all in one place as we are well aware that there has been a barrage of information, guidance and legislation which can be difficult to manage. Our focus, as always, is maintaining the message that Safeguarding is everybody's business – and this is even more important during this extraordinary time.

If you would like to see previous e-newsletters, you can see them on our SCP/SAB website [here](#).

Thanks again for all your efforts and hard work. Stay safe.

Deaths of people with a learning disability

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) publishes data on the number of deaths of people with a learning disability.

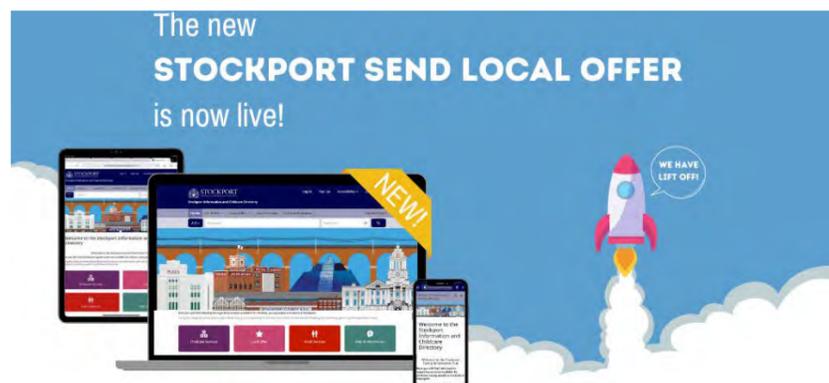
The CQC, supported by the Office of National Statistics (ONS), have completed a targeted piece of analysis to better understand the impact of Coronavirus (COVID-19) on people with a learning disability, some of whom may be autistic, and how the number of deaths during this period compares to the number of deaths last year.

The analysis looked at all deaths notified to CQC between 10 April and 15 May from providers registered with CQC who provide care to people with a learning disability and/or autism (including providers of adult social care, independent hospitals and in the community) and where the person who died was indicated to have a learning disability on the death notification form. More information along with easy read version are available on [CQC website](#)

Stockport SEND Local Offer

We have lift off!
The NEW Stockport Local Offer has launched and is now live

The Local Offer brings together a range of advice, information and support services for children and young people (aged 0-25) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND), their families and professionals.



The website has been co-designed with parents/carers, young people and colleagues from Education, Health and Care organisations and has been through public testing. You can access the new look Stockport SEND Local Offer [here](#).

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Scams: The Power of Persuasive Language



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Professor Keith Brown from the National Centre for Post-Qualifying Social Work and Professional Practice (NCPQSW) and Dr Elisabeth Carter, Senior Lecturer in Criminology and Forensic Linguist at the University of Roehampton, have written this new guidance.

[Click here](#) to download your copy of 'Scams: the power of persuasive language'

Justice & Care 'Unlock the Door' Campaign

Justice & Care are launching a social media campaign to help us play our part in the fight against Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery.

Unlock The Doors is reminding us that as lockdown eases, and we start to experience our freedom again, victims of modern slavery in the UK will remain locked away.

[Click here](#) to find out more about Justice & Care's campaign and how to get involved



The Domestic Abuse Operational Guidance

Operational guidance has been updated to reflect the changes in working practice emerging since we have moved on from Covid-19 restrictions. The guidance contains the latest information regarding process for emergency housing, specialist service support alongside a range of community services that can offer bespoke input for clients experiencing Domestic Abuse. We have also developed a Domestic Abuse training section with guidance on accessing our online booking systems. To access the guidance please use the following SharePoint link to request access to the Domestic Abuse Information repository:

<https://stockportcouncil.sharepoint.com/sites/External/DomesticAbuseGuidance>

If you experience any difficulties in gaining access, please contact the LSB inbox listed at the bottom of the page to request an electronic copy of the document and notify us of the issues.



Despite efforts to support older and more vulnerable people during COVID-19, the pandemic has had a disproportionate impact on many communities, including many Black and Ethnic Minority (BAME) people, especially those living with dementia and their families.

University college London have recently launched a study which aims to understand the experiences and wellbeing of BAME people with dementia and family carers in the context of COVID-19. This study is intended to inform the development of support materials to help family, carers, and people living with dementia when considering care options at home, and to understand how such a resource can be culturally adapted to offer the best support for BAME communities.

The study is looking for feedback from people aged 65+ with a diagnosis of mild to moderate dementia from a South Asian or Afro-Caribbean background, and their carers. All interviews will be remote, either over telephone or secure video technology and participants will receive **a £20 voucher as a thank you for their participation.**

You can find out more by calling the Alzheimer's society and asking about research on: **0333 150 3456** or visiting their website www.joindementiaresearch.nihr.ac.uk
Key contact: lindsay.ray@nihr.ac.uk

Babies in Lockdown

Best Beginnings, Home-Start UK and the Parent-Infant Foundation recently conducted some research to gain insights into the impact of COVID-19 on babies and their parents of all backgrounds from across the UK. The report of the findings can be found [here](#).

Resources to support Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing for Stockport

There are a number of resources aimed at supporting emotional and mental health needs during this difficult time, including information on free online training and a directory of support available in Stockport. Please [click here](#) for more details on mental health.



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For the love of Sunflowers

During the Covid-19 lockdown, our Business Support Officer, Jack Decie has not only been working hard for both Stockport Safeguarding Partnerships but he has also aided in the cause of producing PPE equipment for key workers in Stockport.



Jack joined the Safeguarding Business Unit at the start of March and so after only 1 week in the office, he began working from home. Jack said "he is very much looking forward to meeting everyone physically and not just as virtual 'tiles' on Microsoft Teams".

Before this position, Jack worked in the toy industry for 10 years, developing and marketing toys for 'big kids' (if you've purchased a yo-yo for a child recently there's a good chance he had a hand in its design). He also helps run a [community centre](#) voluntarily in North Manchester which acts as a home to some great charities and social justice organisations.

Jack's new position has taught him lots in a short space of time. For example, helping a large transition to online meetings, assisting social workers with internet safeguarding meetings, and working alongside Clare Manock on the administration of both Stockport Safeguarding Partnerships. Jack said he looks forward to meeting you one day in the future. In the meantime here is Jack with his 12ft sunflowers, of which he is very proud of.

Share your news

If you would like us to highlight any work from your agency or organisation please contact us on the email address provided: lsb@stockport.gov.uk

Key Contacts

If you believe a person to be at immediate risk of harm or in need of emergency medical attention, call the emergency services on **999**.

If you are worried about a child at risk call **Children's Social Care** on **0161 217 6028**.

If you are worried about an **Adult At Risk** please call **0161 217 6029**. Out of Hours **0161 718 2118**.

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