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<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust Board of Directors</b>
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Safeguarding Adults, Mental Capacity Act, Learning Disabilities and Domestic Violence</b>

## Executive summary

The purpose of this report is to appraise the Board of the main developments in the national and local safeguarding adults agenda since April 2016; to provide assurance of how the Trust fulfils its statutory duties with respect to safeguarding vulnerable adults, including those lacking mental capacity and those with learning disabilities.

This report demonstrates that:

- Safeguarding adults and promoting their welfare continues to be addressed and developed in BSUH
- The Trust is committed to meeting the statutory requirements of the Care Act 2014.
- The Trust is able to demonstrate a safe service, acknowledges and addresses the challenges relating to safeguarding vulnerable adults.
- The Safeguarding adults team can demonstrate strong partnerships with the Local Authority, CCGs and Coroner's Office.
- The Safeguarding Adults Committee has continued with its responsibility to ensure that the internal governance arrangements.
- Learning from Safeguarding enquiries has led to improvements in practice and governance in relation to the Safeguarding Adults agenda in BSUH.
- Systems, processes and policies are constantly under review to ensure that they comply with local and national guidance

## Action required by the Board

The Board is asked to discuss and note the Safeguarding Adults Annual Report

<b>Links to corporate objectives</b>	The report supports the objectives: <b><i>excellent outcomes; great experience; empowered skilled staff;</i></b>
<b>Identified risks and risk management actions</b>	Purpose of this paper is to outline the local and national requirements in relation to safeguarding adults.
<b>Resource implications</b>	None
<b>Report history</b>	Not applicable