

Agenda Item 3.iii

Report to:	Board of Directors	Date: 07 September 2023
Report from:	Chief Nurse	
Principal Objective/ Strategy and Title:	Safeguarding Committee Annual Report 2022/23	
For:	Information and approval	

1. Purpose/Background/Summary

The Safeguarding Committee Annual Report 2022/23 is presented to the Board for discussion and approval following discussion at the Safeguarding Committee and Quality & Risk Committee.

2. Key Issues

The Safeguarding Committee Annual Report 2022/23 provides a summary overview of safeguarding (adult and child) activity at Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust during the reporting year 2022/23.

Key highlights include:

- There has been a staffing shortfall in the safeguarding and social work team that has been mitigated by an interim safeguarding operational lead appointment from November 2022 to June 2023.
- An internal self-assessment was conducted in line with CQC Regulation 13: Safeguarding Service Users from Abuse, and Improper Treatment. An action plan based on recommendations has been developed and actions are being implemented and monitored through the Safeguarding Committee and the Fundamentals of Care Board.
- The Trust participated in the NHS Benchmarking Learning Disability Improvement Standards Survey for the 5th year running. An action plan has been developed and will be shared with the Safeguarding Committee in August.
- Compliance with safeguarding training is being actioned. Level 3 training compliance has increased to 43% in July 2023 following the introduction of a hybrid approach of new face-to-face training as requested by staff. Oliver McGowan training is being developed and will be introduced later this year.
- The Safeguarding Team has continued to use DATIX reporting as a method of escalating concerns.

3. Actions Arising/To be Taken

The Board is asked to note and approve the Safeguarding Committee Annual Report 2022/23.