

## **Publication Statement**

## Joint Domestic Homicide Review/Safeguarding Adults Review

## 'Jane'

The Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board (SSAB) in collaboration with Reigate & Banstead community safety partnership (CSP) has today published the findings of a joint Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) & Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) regarding Jane.

This review was jointly commissioned to ensure that there was an independent review of the circumstances surrounding the death of Jane, in order to identify any insights and learning about the ways in which professionals and agencies worked together to safeguard her.

The purpose of this review is to promote learning and improve practice, not to re-investigate or to apportion blame. As well as highlighting areas of good practice, the review identified important learning and key areas for further improvement both locally and nationally.

Jane's family have suffered a great loss, and we thank those who knew Jane and contributed to the review

The review considered the following specific issues.

• Children and Adult focused services to have a "Think Family" approach to families with multilayered vulnerabilities.

• Embedding professional curiosity around domestic abuse in daily practice and signpost to appropriate services.

• Awareness on safeguarding to be implemented for all staff on an annual basis

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Both the SSAB and the CSP accepts the recommendations in full and will work with agencies to share and embed this learning within respective organisations and the wider system. The SSAB and CSP will hold involved agencies to account and seek assurance that the recommendations are implemented and also monitor the impact of changes to ensure that others are protected in the future.

Teresa Bell, Independent Chair Surrey Safeguarding Adults Board May 2025