

Summary of Aberdeen Adult Protection Committee (APC) meeting held on 13th October 2021

Below is a summary of the meeting held on 13th October. We hope you find these updates helpful.

- The APC has recently undertaken a 'Self-Evaluation', supported by the [Improvement Service](#). Priorities have emerged from this, relating to the need for a data / Quality Assurance Framework and improved stakeholder engagement. These are to be developed further at a Development Day for the APC to be held on 23rd November.
- Members noted progress being made in preparation for a forthcoming inspection of Adult Support and Protection (ASP) activities in Aberdeen.
- The APC was updated about a new 'User Forum' which had met for the first time, involving individuals who had previously been involved in Adult Support and Protection. This Forum will be invaluable in ensuring that the 'voice' of those impacted by ASP is central to matters which the APC is taking forwards.
- The Committee noted that significant pressures were still being experienced across the system, as a result of the pandemic.
- A new '[Supervision Statement](#)' was agreed, which sets out the approach my member organisations to satisfying themselves that appropriate arrangements are in place for the supervision of staff involved in adult support and protection work within their organisation.
- Members considered proposals about a range of potential improvements identified from the recent draft revised national Code of Practice for ASP, and from good practice across the country highlighted in the Iriss Review of APC Biennial Reports 2018-20. ([Iriss](#) is a charity that works with social work and social care to create positive change in Scotland.) It was agreed to consider these further at the Development Day on 23rd November.