

## **Safeguarding Adult Review - Adult C**

A review into the death of a man in Osney, West Oxford in February 2017 has concluded that the incident was 'not predictable or preventable by mental health services or Thames Valley Police.'

The Safeguarding Adult Review has been published by the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board. It follows the conclusion of a Coroner's inquest earlier this year which noted that the death of 'Adult C' was likely to have been accidental, although it could not for certain be ruled out that it was a deliberate act.

The Review had two central objectives, to look at the circumstances leading to the death and identify contributory factors, learning any lessons across organisations.

The Review was based on summaries of contact with Adult C by each of the organisations involved with the incident – Thames Valley Police, A2Dominion Housing Association, Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, Oxfordshire County Council, Oxford City Council and South Central Ambulance Service.

The Review noted that Adult C had been assessed by an experienced team of professionals only a few days before the explosion. He had not been judged to be suffering from mental illness and was willing to co-operate with follow up contact with agencies. Adult C was considered to present a low risk to himself and others on evidence available at the time.

A small number of failings on the part of agencies involved have been outlined along with lessons learned.

### **What is the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board?**

The Oxfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board (OSAB) is a group of statutory, private, voluntary, and independent organisations across Oxfordshire who work together to empower and protect some of the most vulnerable members of our community. Each area of the country has an equivalent Safeguarding Adults Board.