

Statement from the Chair of the IOWSAB re: Howard Case Review

As the Independent Chair of the IoW Safeguarding Adults Board, my role is to support and challenge agencies to work effectively together in safeguarding vulnerable adults: people like Howard.

On behalf of the SAB, I would like to offer my formal condolences to Howard's family. His death is a tragedy and this review underlines the need for agencies to be more proactive, persistent and joined up in supporting people like Howard who, whilst outwardly rejecting offers of help and support, so very obviously need it.

I and the Safeguarding Adults Board members will now be supporting and challenging agencies to deliver the actions identified in the review and the recommendations.