

# SVPP Newsletter

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Wiltshire  
Safeguarding  
Vulnerable  
People Partnership



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## Welcome

Welcome to the June edition of the Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership newsletter. If you have any comments or feedback on any of the items featured or, if you would like to submit an article for future editions, please email [svpp@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:svpp@wiltshire.gov.uk). Don't forget you can get the most up to date safeguarding news and information from the partnership by following us on social media using the Twitter handles above.

### What does a good adult safeguarding referral look like?

Timely, accurate and well-constructed referrals help agencies work together to keep adults with care and support needs safe. Each agency will have their own guidance and protocol for making safeguarding referrals and these will be legally compliant. Where there is uncertainty about the criteria for a referral, always speak to your Management Team / Senior workers in the first instance. Practitioners can also call Wiltshire Adult MASH on (01380) 826510 to discuss the issue directly.

Being unsure should not be a barrier to making a referral.

If in  
doubt...refer!

#### Consider the following:

**Did the harm occur in  
Wiltshire?**

**If not, you will need to  
direct the referral to the  
right Local Authority area.**

**Is the Adult at Risk over  
18 years?**

**If not, then you need to  
make a referral to  
Children's MASH  
(0300 456 0108)**

**Safeguarding duties apply regardless of whether a person's care and support needs are being met, whether by the local authority or anyone else. They also apply to people who pay for their own care and support services. An adult with care and support needs may be:**

- an older person
- a person with a physical disability, a learning difficulty or a sensory impairment
- someone with mental health needs, including dementia or a personality disorder
- a person with a long-term health condition
- someone who misuses substances or alcohol to the extent that it affects their ability to manage 'day-to-day living.' ([Adult Safeguarding Practice Questions, SCIE, July 2018](#)).

If an adult does not have care and support needs, but there is still concern that they are being harmed (at risk of or experiencing abuse or neglect), other services may be able to support and engage.

**Options may include:** the police, GP or other health services, local housing providers, trading standards or any multi-agency risk sharing group OR if they do not appear to meet the definition but you are still concerned you may wish to discuss this with the Adult MASH for further advice and guidance.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

- [Domestic Abuse Bill 2021 - Overarching Factsheet](#). This factsheet provides an overview of provisions in the Domestic Abuse Act coming into force in 2021/22
- See the latest newsletter from the Swindon and Wiltshire Child Death Overview Panel [Swindon and Wiltshire CDOP Newsletter](#)
- New research from the [Independent Inquiry Child Sexual Abuse](#) has found that more than 1 in 10 victims and survivors who have come forward to the [Truth Project](#) are speaking out about their experience for the first time.
- The [Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse](#) (CSA). One day online PhD student workshop on Wednesday 30th June.
- [7 Minute Briefing on Harmful Gambling](#) a leaflet that helps to understand the difference between gambling and harmful gambling, drawing attention to the impacts of harmful gambling.

### Publication of Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review Family N - May 2021

This review was published last month, practitioners are encouraged to read the full report on the [SVPP Website](#). Themes explored include care proceedings, working with resistance and working with child sexual abuse.

### Sir Alan Wood Review and Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel Reports

The report on the implementation of new multi-agency arrangements to safeguard children by Sir Alan Wood CBE and the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel Annual Report have now been published.

Click the links below to see the full reports

[Review of multi-agency safeguarding arrangements](#)

[Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel Annual Report 2020](#)

The annual Review of CSPRs, and Rapid Reviews Executive Summary of the Annual Report can be found [here](#)

### Graded Care Profile 2 (GCP2)

The GCP2 is a NSPCC evidence-based assessment. This is a tool that any practitioner can use or contribute to. GCP2 helps to: measure the quality of care being given to a child, support the engagement of parents. Licensed practitioner training is run by the SVPP. To register interest please email [wscbtraining@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:wscbtraining@wiltshire.gov.uk)

**NSPCC**

### Easing Lockdown Vigilance Campaign

Wiltshire Police are promoting the national Counter Terrorism Policing's 'Easing Lockdown Vigilance Campaign', to coincide with the easing of restrictions in the UK. With UK terror level currently at 'Substantial', meaning an attack is likely, the campaign encourages communities, the public and businesses to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by remaining vigilant and reporting suspicious behaviour.

A [vigilance toolkit](#) has been produced to support organisations to talk about and promote the campaign. The toolkit includes;

- video clips about how to report suspicious activity
- information about UK terror threat level
- draft intranet article about why remaining vigilant is important
- posters to remind people to be vigilant and report suspicious behaviour
- Run, Hide, Tell communications materials