

# Thurrock Safeguarding Adults Board

Annual Report - What we have done from April 2021 to March 2022



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Some words are <u>blue and underlined</u>. These are links which will go to another website which has more information.

### Introduction



Thurrock Safeguarding Adult Board work to keep adults safe from **abuse** and **neglect**.



**Abuse** is when someone hurts you or treats you badly.



**Clinical Commissioning Group** 

ESSEX POLICE **NHS** Thurrock

**Neglect** is when someone does not look after you properly.

Our 3 main groups are the Thurrock Clinical Commissioning Group - this is part of the NHS - Essex Police and Thurrock Council.



This is an Easy Read version of our Annual Report.

### Money



We spent one hundred and fourteen thousand, seven hundred and eighty seven pounds on our work over the past year.



We get money from Thurrock Council, Essex Police and **Thurrock Clinical Commissioning Group**.

**Thurrock Clinical Commissioning Group** plan local health services.

## **Safeguarding information**



**Safeguarding information** is the information we have collected about adults who have been abused or neglected.



Over the past year, 1097 safeguarding concerns were reported - this is where someone tells us they are worried about a person's safety.



There were more concerns about women than men.



Most of the concerns were for people over 65 years old.



Most concerns were about neglect.

## Training



Over the past year we set up training sessions about keeping adults safe.



4 out of 5 people who took part in the training said it was good.

# What we think is important



We have 4 things that we are working on:



# 1. We collect information about what has happened.

#### What we have done

We have:

• Checked that people who are abused or neglected are involved in decisions about themselves.



• Looked at information about abuse and neglect from both Thurrock and the rest of England.



#### Next year we will:

 Ask organisations for information about what they are doing to keep people safe.





# 2. Supporting plans to tackle sexual abuse and violence.

A plan to tackle sexual abuse and violence was written together with different organisations in Thurrock.

#### What we have done

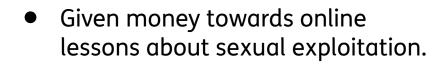


We have:

• Written a report on how much and what kinds of **sexual exploitation** is happening in Thurrock.

**Sexual Exploitation** is when people are made to do anything sexual that they haven't agreed to.







#### Next year we will:

• Give money to support online training that protects people from sexual exploitation.









# 3. Trying to stop the people who cause abuse and neglect.

#### What we have done

We have:

Made a plan to fight modern slavery.

**Modern slavery** is making people work without a choice and without paying them.

• Paid for some **cold calling** signs.

**Cold calling** is when someone you don't expect calls and tries to sell you things you don't need.

#### Next year we will:

 Buy a cartoon called 'Tricky Friends' to help people to understand what good friendships are.

#### 4. Making it easier for people moving from child safeguarding to adult safeguarding services.

**Safeguarding services** give support to people who have been abused or neglected or who are at risk.

#### What we have done

We have:

- Looked at ideas about how to help young people who are becoming adults.
- Made it easier to share information between child services and adult services so we can help anyone who is at risk of abuse.

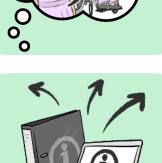
#### Next year we will:

Ask young people what will help to keep them safe.









## Southend, Essex and Thurrock



- Together with Essex and Southend, Thurrock Safeguarding Adult Board has:
- Updated our policies and procedures.

**Policies and procedures** are rules about the way we work.



 Worked to make some online lessons to help prevent domestic abuse in older adults.

**Domestic abuse** is when you are harmed by a family member or someone you live with.

## Safeguarding adult reviews



A **Safeguarding Adult Review** is when we look at how well local services have worked together, to keep adults safe. Professionals call these SAR's.



There is only a review when we are sent cases where things went badly wrong.



This year we did 1 review.



We looked at what was done and how things can be done better in the future.

# Talking and listening to people



We sent booklets about the work we do to all care homes in Thurrock.



We put information on social media like Facebook to tell people about abuse.



We looked at changes to our website to make it better.

### For more information



You can look at our website here: <u>www.thurrocksab.org.uk</u>



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