

# Annual Report 2024-25



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# Introducing our 2024-25 Annual Report

Rob McCulloch-Graham, Safeguarding Adults Board - Independent Chair

This year the Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Board continued to embrace the partnership of services which strive to improve the safeguarding systems in place to protect the most vulnerable residents within our communities.

We have taken time in this year to reassess our priorities and to look further ahead to position our strategy, to enable the partnership to react to the challenges within the population of Kirklees.

Our collective remains strong, and our shared commitment to reduce the level of risk to our most vulnerable residents remains. During this year, the Board has received many examples of good practice, and we have continued to learn from the experiences of our services and from the people that use them. We have also taken time to learn from national partnerships.

Our local “challenge events” are a clear strength of the KSAB. These combined with our local and national learning, continues to ensure the relevance and impact of our work and service practice.

This approach has been important to enable services to respond effectively to the continued pressures of demand and complexity which services have been addressing since the pandemic, and which don't seem to be lessening in any way.

The end of our 2024 to 2025 year saw the announcement of significant change for our Health partners and for an overall resource reduction. These changes will bring the most significant realignment for Safeguarding Partnerships for decades.

Change is both difficult and full of risk, I am however confident that collectively, here in Kirklees, it will be addressed both supportively for staff teams and with the greatest of care for the communities we serve.

A healthy society takes care of those less able to care for themselves. There will always be a need for supporting services, and a need for these services to act in consort. I am assured from the evident strength and maturity of our relationships, that the Board and the Partnership, are aware of these challenges and the new risks that these changes will bring. I am also assured of the commitment of individual professionals, of their collective force and of their ability to adapt to these challenges ahead, whilst maintaining the safeguarding of our citizens.

We have a difficult year or two ahead, which will require us to remain together and even stronger in our resolve to continue working as one, to protect those who need protecting.



Rob McCulloch-Graham, KSAB  
Independent Chair

# Talking About Kirklees – Key Demographics

Kirklees, home to around 440,000 residents (2019), is a culturally diverse and resilient community. While many residents are resourceful, significant health and wellbeing challenges require coordinated safeguarding efforts.

- 12.2% (53,000) of people in Kirklees live in neighbourhoods among the top 10% most deprived in England (Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019).
- 14.3% (61,900) of people in Kirklees are income deprived (Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2019).
- 14.9% (14,300) of people aged 60 and over in Kirklees are income deprived (Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2019).
- 21.1% (59,456) of people aged 16 to 64 in Kirklees are claiming Universal Credit (March 2025).
- There are 30,763 Personal Independence Payments (PIP) cases with entitlement in Kirklees which amounts to 8.7% of people aged 16 and over (April 2025). In addition, there are 3,395 Disability Living Allowance cases with entitlement aged 16 and over (1.0%, November 2024).
- 12.9% (10,295) people of pensionable age are entitled to Attendance Allowance (November 2024).



# About the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board

The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) is hosted by Kirklees Council and is a multi-agency partnership.

The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) works within legal and statutory frameworks to ensure that local safeguarding arrangements effectively protect adults at risk, in line with Section 42.1 of the Care Act 2014, that is:

- has needs for care and support (whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs);
- is experiencing, or is at risk of, abuse or neglect, and;
- as a result of those needs is unable to protect himself or herself against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it.

The Care Act (2014) introduced a statutory framework for protecting adults from abuse and neglect and includes:

- a requirement for all areas to establish a Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB)
- a duty for a local authority to carry out enquiries (or cause others to) where it suspects an adult is at risk of abuse or neglect

The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) oversees adult safeguarding across the borough, ensuring the effectiveness of work by statutory partners. Under the Care Act, KSAB has three core duties:

**Strategic Planning:** Publish a [Strategic plan](#) outlining objectives and partner contributions.

**Annual Reporting:** Evaluate and report on safeguarding effectiveness.

**Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs):** Commission reviews for cases meeting statutory criteria.

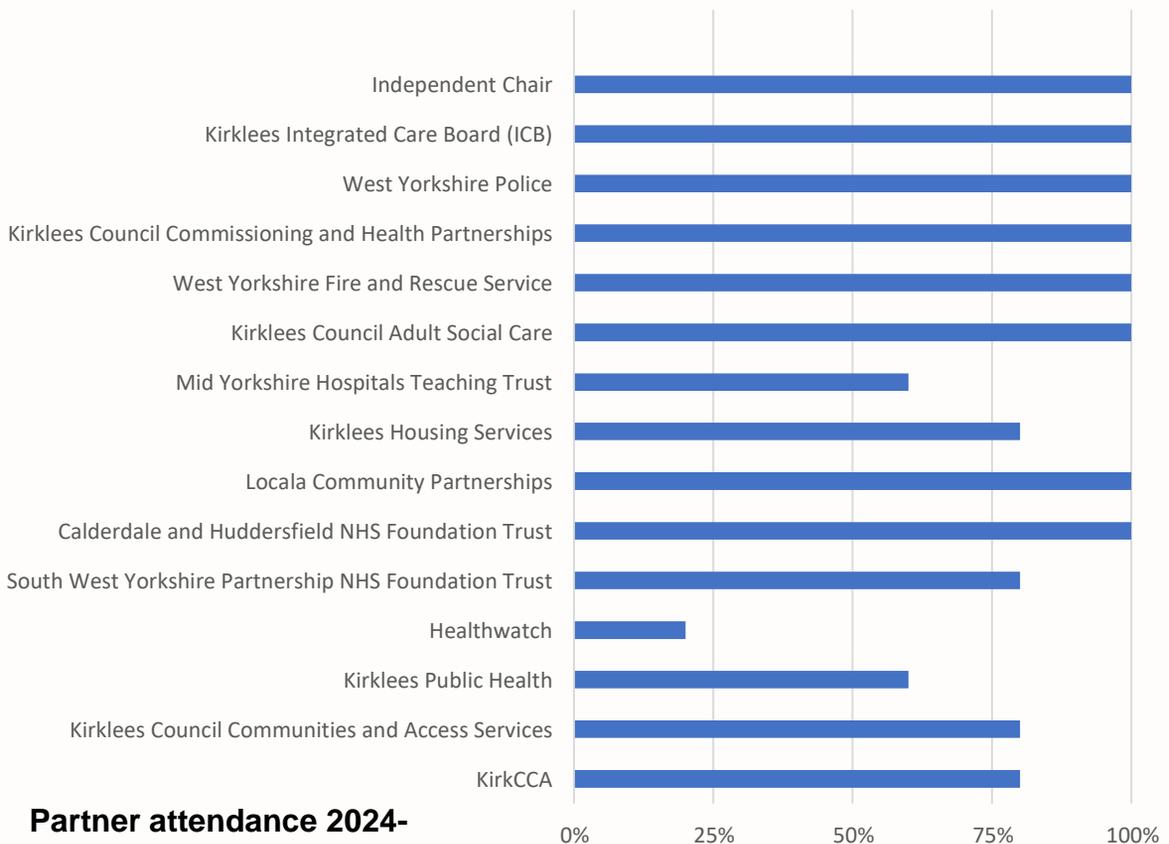
KSAB works closely with the Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Board and Kirklees Communities Board, aligning with the [Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Strategy](#) to embed safeguarding priorities within broader wellbeing goals. The Board also works very closely alongside [Kirklees Safeguarding Children Partnership](#).

# About the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board

The Board is made up of senior officers nominated by each member organisation. They are required to sign a membership agreement, which reflects the Board's constitution, and information sharing agreement. Members have sufficient delegated authority to effectively represent their agency and to make decisions on their agency's behalf. If they are unable to attend meetings for any reason they send, with the chair's permission, a nominated representative of sufficient seniority.

The Board receives legal support from Kirklees Council Legal Services Principal Lawyer.

KSAB typically holds four Board meetings each year. In 2024–25, an additional meeting was convened specifically to sign off a Safeguarding Adult Review.



**Partner attendance 2024-**

# About the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board

## Membership throughout the 2024-25 year

Organisation	Name	Role
Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Board	Rob McCulloch-Graham	Independent Chair
ICB Kirklees Health Care Partnership	Penny Woodhead	Director of Nursing & Quality (Vice Chair)
Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Board	Jacqui Stansfield	Service Manager
Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Board	Alison Clarkson	Deputy Service Manager
WY Fire & Rescue Service	Tanya Simmons	Kirklees District Prevention Manager
Locala	Victoria Vallance Dawn Blake	Chief Nurse Head of Safeguarding
Kirklees Council	Richard Parry Michelle Cross	Strategic Director Adults & Health
Kirklees Council	Joanne Bartholomew Donna Harkins	Service Director for Place Housing Strategy & Partnership Manager
Kirklees Council	Jill Greenfield	Service Director Customers & Communities
WY Police	James Griffiths Stuart Bainbridge	CS, District Commander Kirklees Detective Superintendent Kirklees
Kirklees & Calderdale Care Association	James Creegan	CEO
SW Yorks Partnership Foundation Trust	Emma Cox Carol Morgan	Assistant Director Nursing Quality & Professions Specialist Advisor Safeguarding Adults
Kirklees Council	Emily Parry-Harries	Consultant Public Health
MY Hospitals Foundation Trust	Deborah Longmore	Head of Safeguarding Named Nurse
Healthwatch Kirklees	Clare Costello	Operations Manager
Kirklees Council	Cath Simms	Service Director for Adult Social Care
Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust	Andrea Dauris Alison Edwards	Associate Director of Nursing Head of Safeguarding
Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Board	Michelle France	Business Support Manager
Kirklees Council	Razia Riaz	Principal Lawyer

# Safeguarding Data and The Board

The Quality and Performance (Q&P) subgroup monitor data sets from across the partnership on a quarterly basis. The purpose of the Q&P subgroup is to establish systems and processes for monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of the inter-agency safeguarding processes for safeguarding adults at risk of abuse and neglect. This includes the development and implementation of a quality and performance framework, and an integrated quality dashboard that links to the Safeguarding Adults Board Strategic Plan.

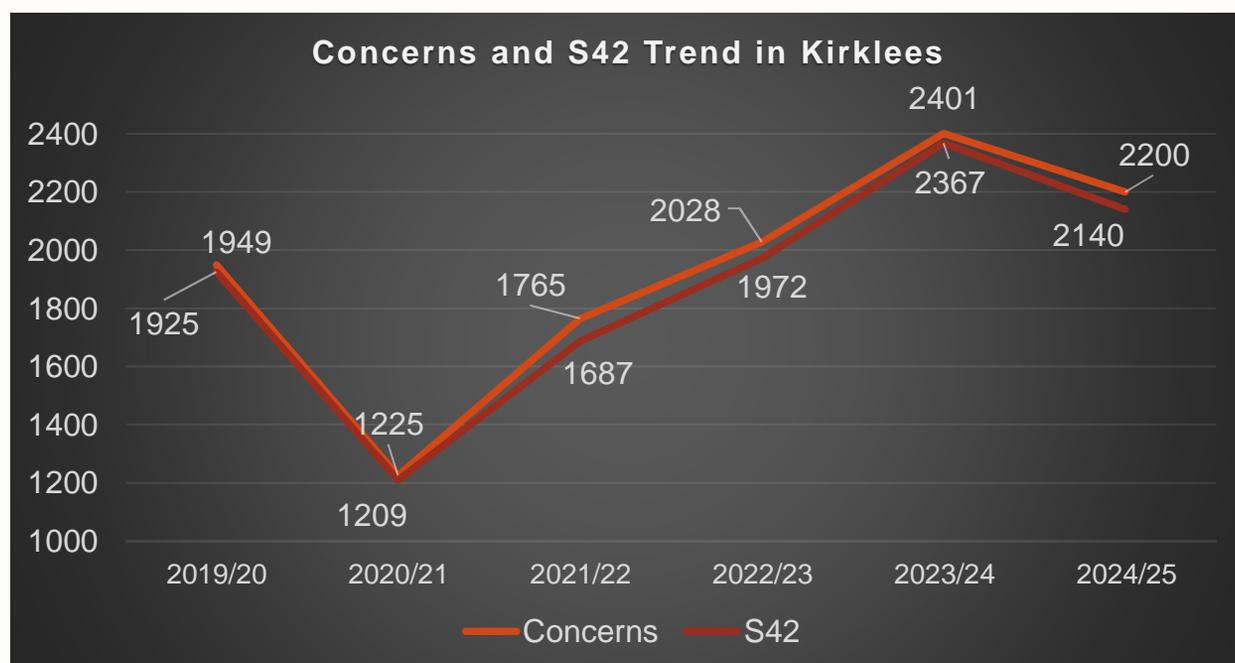
Over the past year, the Q&P Subgroup has made significant strides in strengthening data oversight and analysis across the partnership, despite facing notable challenges:

- **System Transition:** The Local Authority Adult Social Care moved to a new case management system presented data-related challenges, impacting consistency and availability.
- **Enhanced Data Scope:** New datasets were introduced, including PIPOT data, and DoLS data. SARs data is now considered as part of this expanded dataset. A dedicated section on self-neglect now provides trend analysis to support strategic planning.
- **Agency Highlight Reports:** These were refined to focus on three key areas; Challenges/Barriers, Good Practice, and Themes/Trends, enabling clearer insight into partner activity.
- **Audit Focus:** There has been an increased emphasis on audit work, supporting triangulation of findings across dashboards, highlight reports, and case reviews.
- **Complexity of Cases:** Partners have reported rising case complexity, reinforcing the need for integrated data analysis to identify emerging trends.
- **October Review:** An extended meeting was held to enable deeper scrutiny of available data following the migration of LA systems data. Though some gaps remained, key issues included:
  - Continued prevalence of domestic abuse and increased professional enquiries.
  - Quality review of Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) data to ensure outcomes are captured.
  - The Q&P subgroup identified a need for improved ethnicity data capture, and this is being built into the Board's workplan for the coming year.
  - Agreement to spotlight Modern Slavery and exploitation types, informed by learning from Cumbria SAR.

# Safeguarding Data and The Board Concerns vs Section 42 Enquiries

## Information in relation to Section 42 enquiries 2024-25

The full data set is published on the [NHS Digital website](#)



**A concern** is a sign of suspected abuse or neglect that is reported to the Local Authority or identified by the Local Authority.

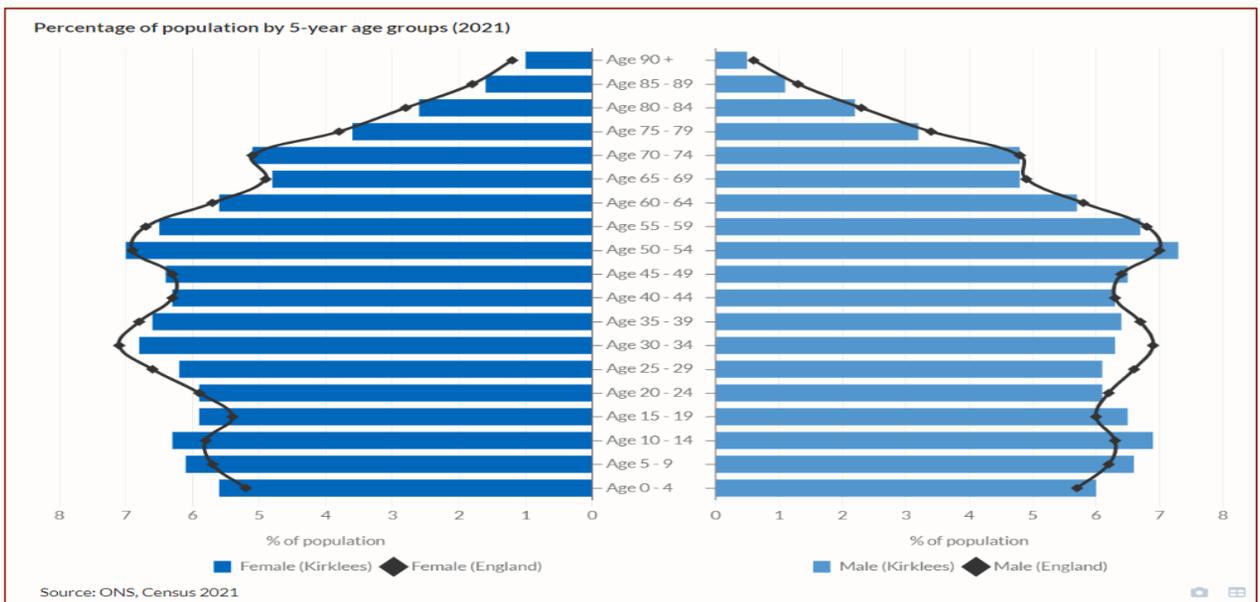
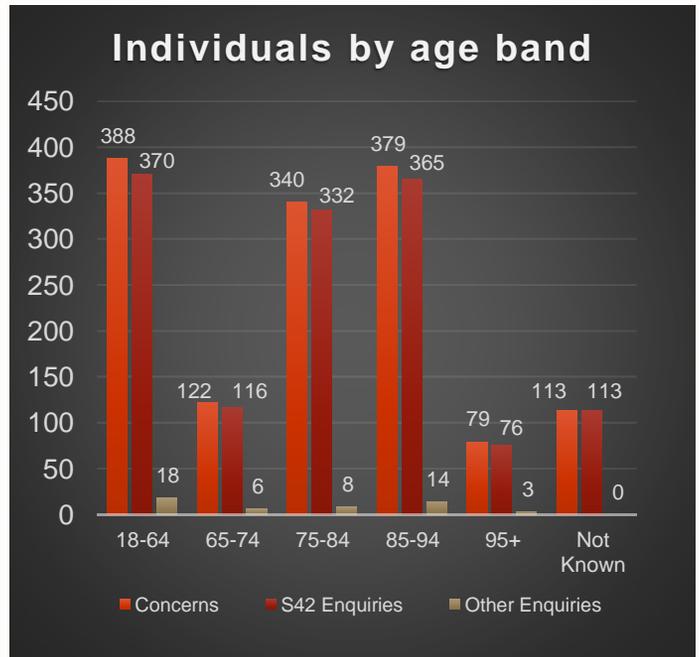
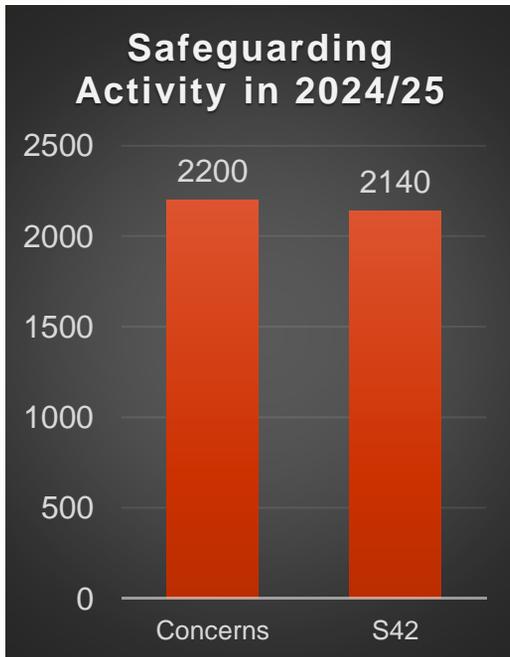
An enquiry is where a concern has met the Care Act criteria called section 42 enquiries:

- The adult has needs for care AND support (whether or not the authority is meeting any of those needs)
- The adult is experiencing, or is at risk of, abuse or neglect
- As a result of those needs is unable to protect himself or herself against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it.

**A Section 42 enquiry** is the local authority's response to concerns that an adult may be experiencing abuse or neglect. These enquiries can range from a simple conversation with the individual to a coordinated, multi-agency response. Most are resolved with minimal intervention, ensuring proportionate and timely safeguarding action.

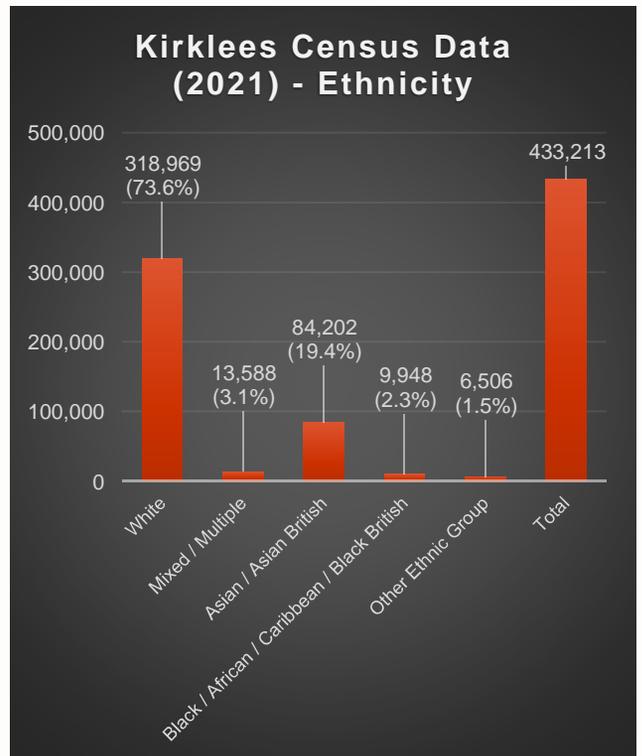
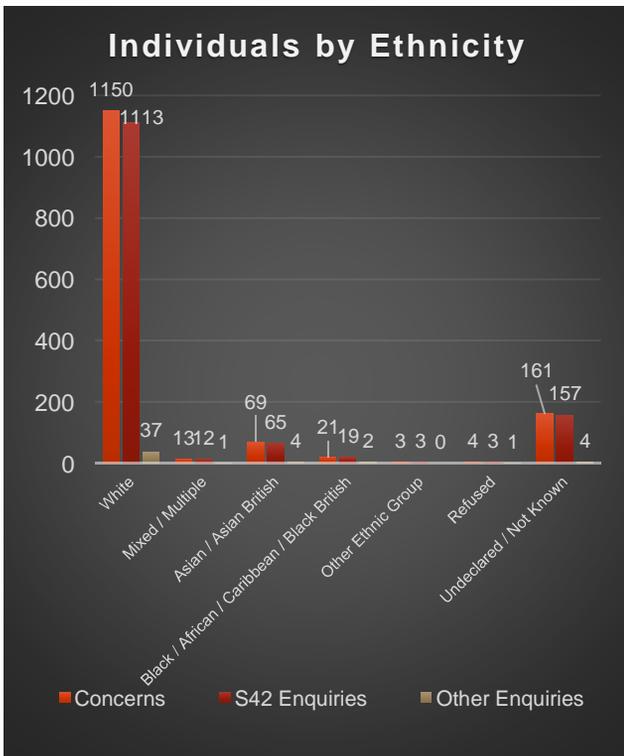
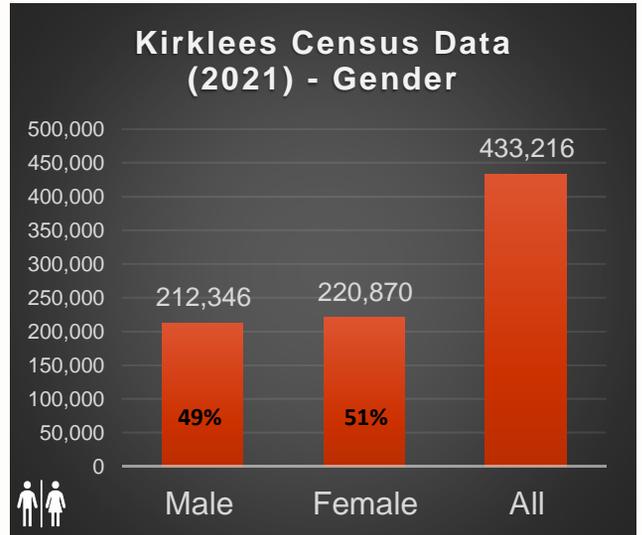
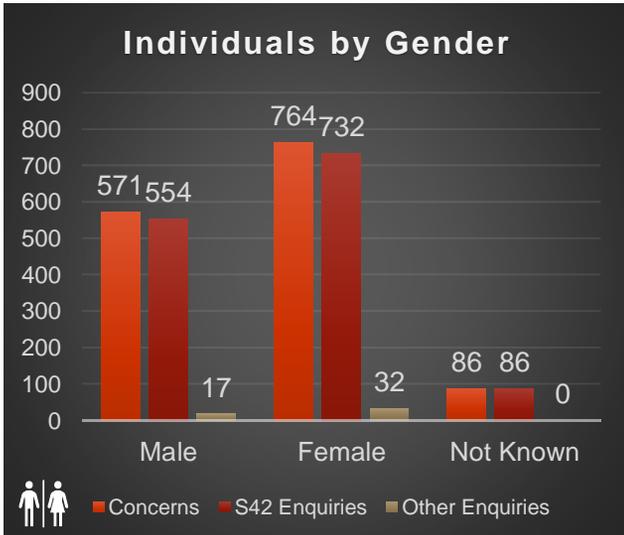
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## Information in relation to Section 42 enquiries 2024-25



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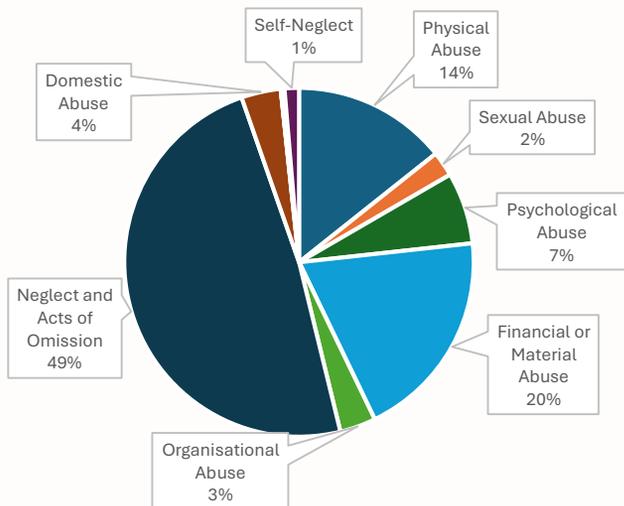


# Safeguarding Data and The Board

## Information in relation to Section 42 and \*Other enquiries 2024-25

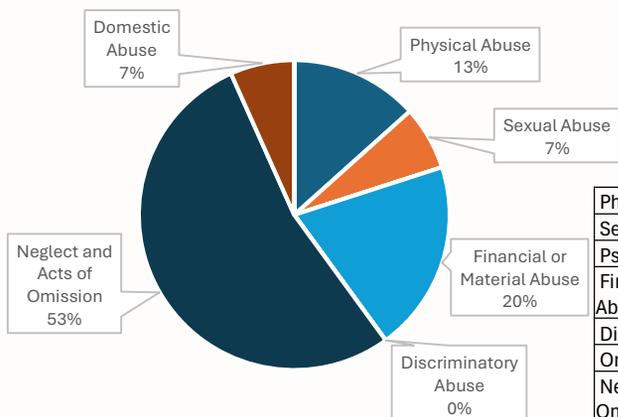
**\*Other enquiries** - Safeguarding adult concerns which did not meet all parts of the Section 42 (Care Act) enquiry criteria, but it was deemed necessary to carry out enquiries/take action which may include a Care Act Assessment, Carers Assessment, or signposting to relevant service

### Section 42 Enquiries



	S42 Enquiries								
	Own Home	In the community (excluding community services)	In a community service	Care Home - Nursing	Care Home - Residential	Hospital - Acute	Hospital - Mental Health	Hospital - Community	Other
Physical Abuse	43	4	22	53	347	8	37	1	4
Sexual Abuse	7	2	1	5	38	1	6	0	1
Psychological Abuse	20	2	6	2	21	0	3	0	1
Financial or Material Abuse	59	5	2	2	20	0	1	1	6
Discriminatory Abuse	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Organisational Abuse	10	1	11	36	94	0	1	0	3
Neglect and Acts of Omission	146	8	27	100	979	2	3	6	15
Domestic Abuse	11	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Sexual Exploitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Modern Slavery	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Self-Neglect	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0

### \*Other Enquiries

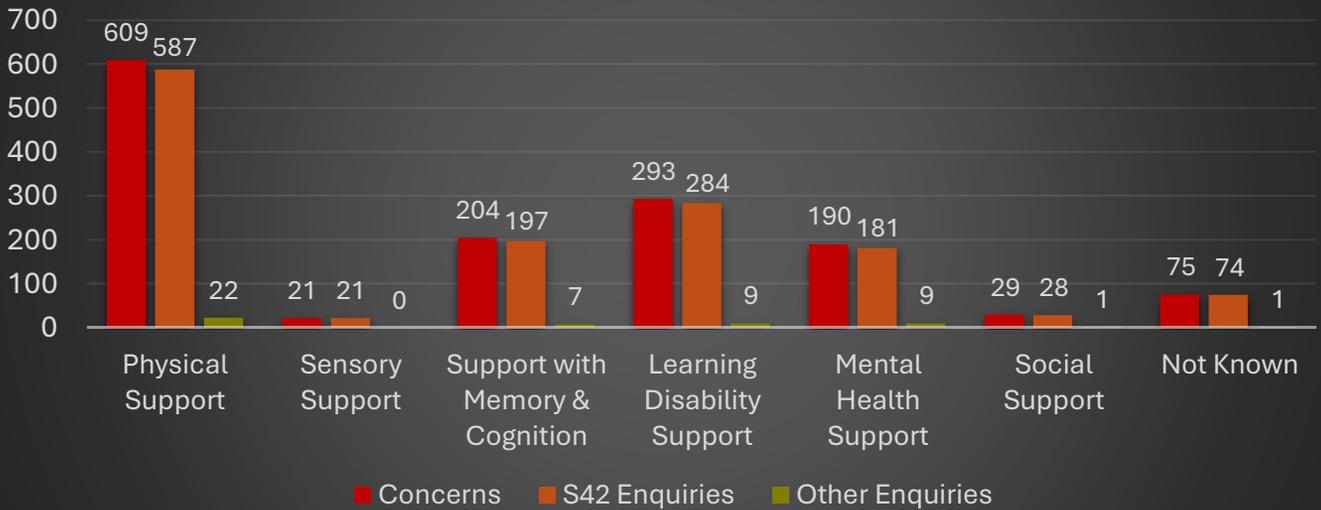


	*Other Enquiries								
	Own Home	In the community (excluding community services)	In a community service	Care Home - Nursing	Care Home - Residential	Hospital - Acute	Hospital - Mental Health	Hospital - Community	Other
Physical Abuse	2	1	0	3	8	1	0	1	0
Sexual Abuse	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Psychological Abuse	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financial or Material Abuse	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Discriminatory Abuse	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Organisational Abuse	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Neglect and Acts of Omission	8	1	4	3	14	0	1	0	0
Domestic Abuse	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Exploitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Modern Slavery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Self-Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

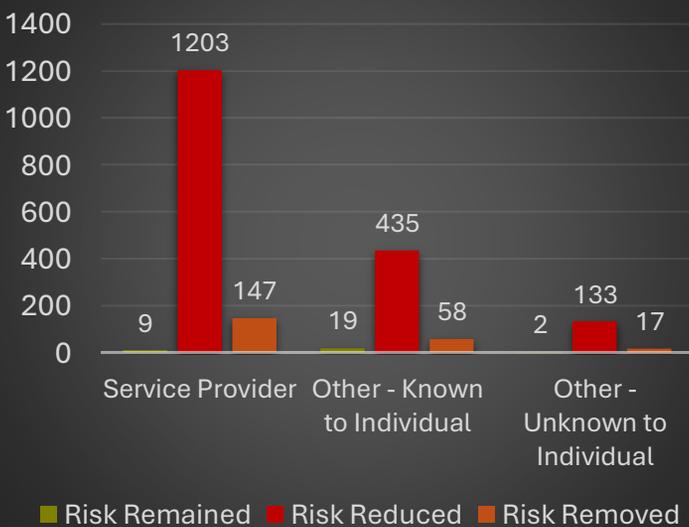
# Safeguarding Data and The Board

## Information in relation to Section 42 enquiries 2024-25

### Individuals by Primary Support Reason



### Risk Outcomes - S42 Enquiries



#### Risk Outcomes:

**Where a risk was identified, what was the outcome / expected outcome when the case was concluded?**

#### Risk removed

Fully addressed and the individual is no longer subject to that specific risk

#### Risk reduced

Circumstances which made the individual at risk have been mitigated

#### Risk remains

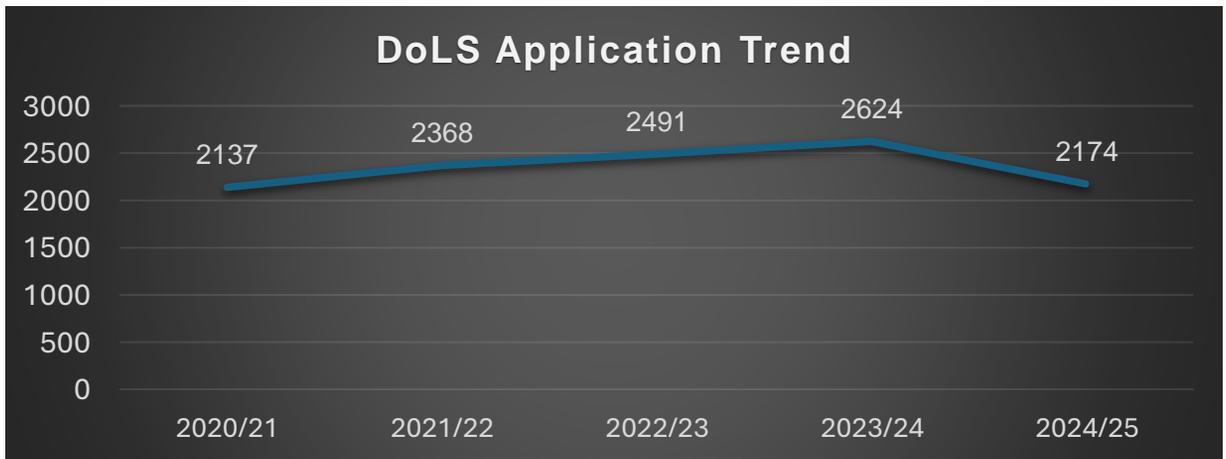
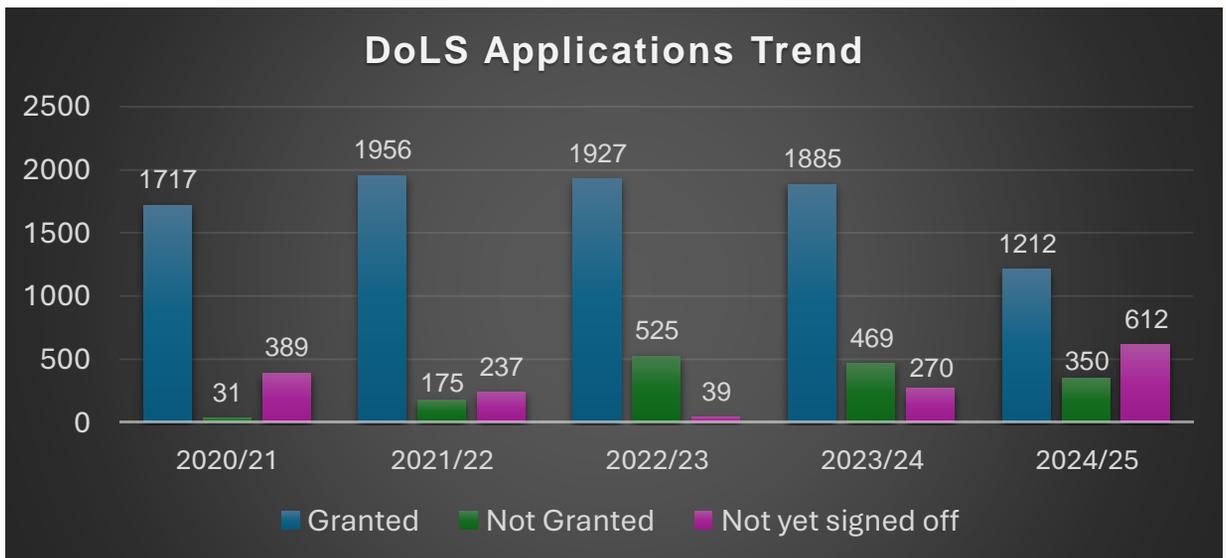
Circumstances causing the risk are unchanged and the same degree of risk remains – there may be valid reasons one of these being individual choice

# Safeguarding Data and The Board

## Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) ensures people who cannot consent to their care arrangements in a care home or hospital are protected if those arrangements deprive them of their liberty.

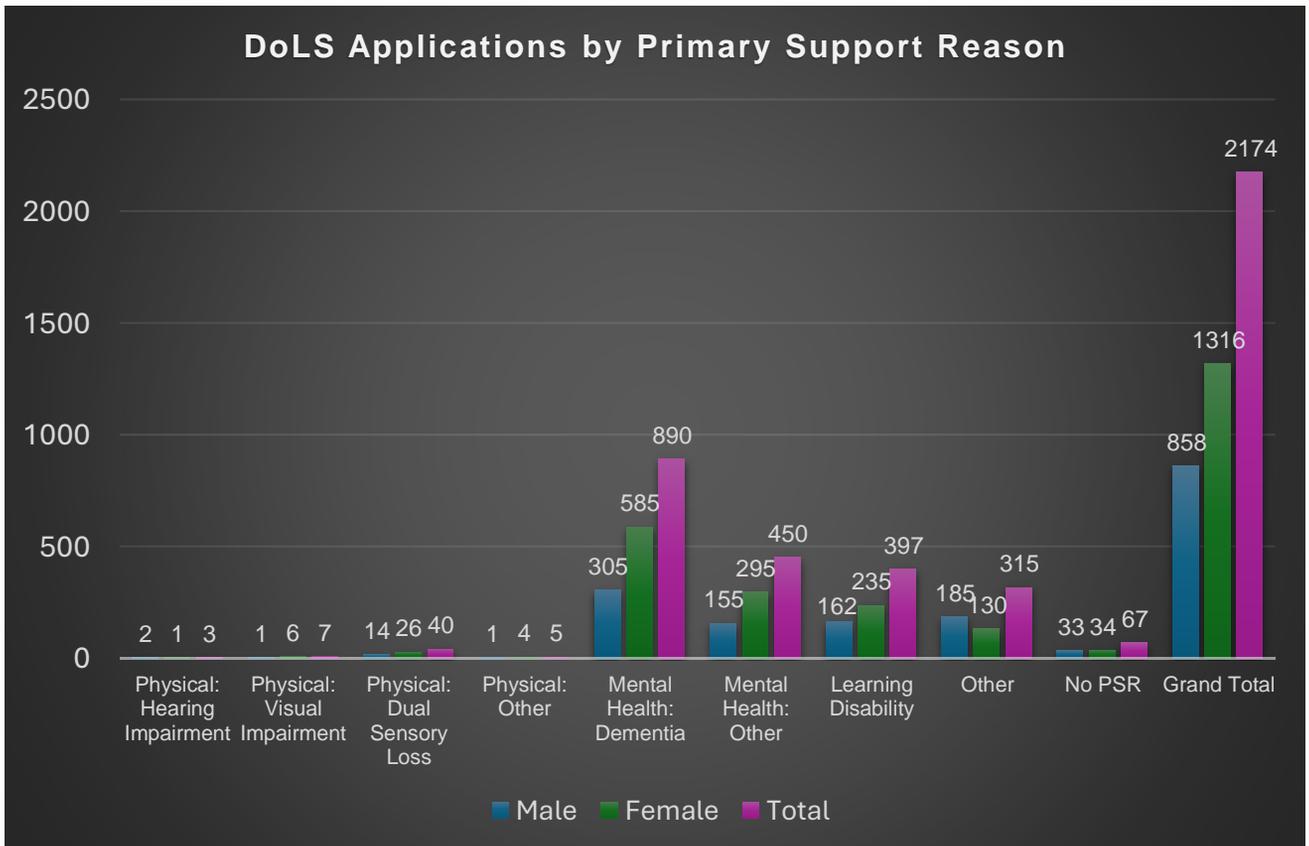
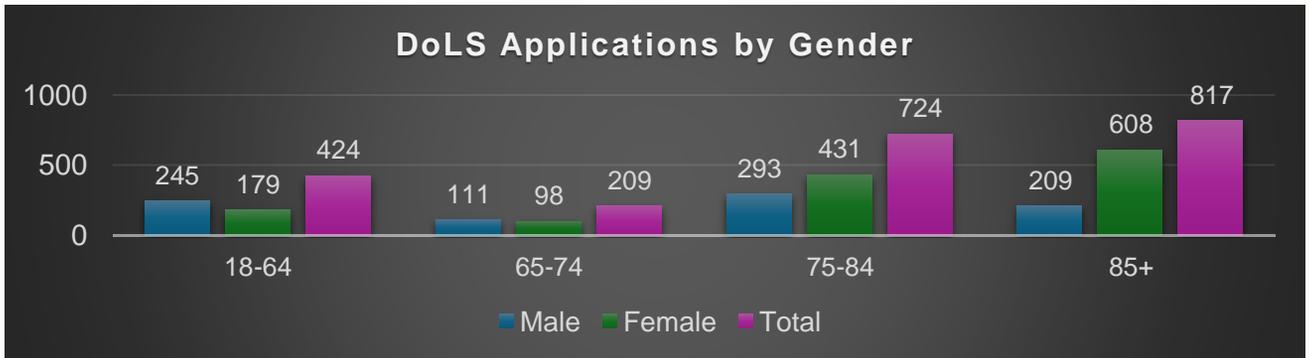
Arrangements are assessed to check they are necessary and, in the person's best interests. Representation and the right to challenge a deprivation are other safeguards that are part of DoLS.



# Safeguarding Data and The Board

## Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)

The Quality & Performance subgroup of the Board continually examines data across the Partnership to identify trends and potential concerns. The changes identified over the 24/25 year are being further examined by the subgroup and reported back to the Board.



# Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs)

What is a Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR)?

Under the 2014 Care Act, Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs) are responsible for Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SARs). This aims to help SABs in thinking about how they fulfil those responsibilities. It focuses on a selection of key issues. It is intended to supplement the policy development work already underway or completed by SABs.

The purpose of SARs is described very clearly in the statutory guidance as to 'promote effective learning and improvement action to prevent future deaths or serious harm occurring again'. The aim is that lessons can be learned from the case and for those lessons to be applied to future cases to prevent similar harm re-occurring.

The Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE)

In 2024-25, the Board's SAR subgroup received 11 SAR referrals:

1 referral progressed to a full SAR.

8 referrals were inappropriate and referred to the right agency for appropriate action. These ranged from request for assessments, to being unable to find a benefits claimant.

2 referrals were declined for progressing to a full SAR. In each of these cases the specific circumstances were assessed as not meeting the statutory criteria for a Safeguarding Adults Review as set out in Section 44 of the Care Act.

2 SARs were signed off by the Board during the 2024-25 timeframe. These 2 SARs are detailed in the [2023-24 KSAB Annual Report](#)

Involvement in 1 out of area SAR detailed on next page.

# Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) carried out

## Learning from a Safeguarding Adults Review Donna

A Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) was undertaken by Cumbria Safeguarding Adults Board (CSAB) in relation to Donna. Donna moved between two areas (Cumbria and Kirklees) and therefore this SAR identified important learning for both Cumbria Safeguarding Adults Board and Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board. The implementation of the learning from this review will be jointly overseen by both partnerships.

Donna was born in 1999 and died by suicide at age 23 in December 2022. An inquest in January 2023 found her death was caused by hypoxic brain damage and cardiac arrest due to hanging. She had taken illicit drugs, which may have affected her cognition.

This Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR), conducted alongside a Domestic Homicide Review (DHR), focused on safeguarding practice between March 2020 and December 2022. It included agency reports, practitioner reflections, and input from Donna's mother, who described a difficult relationship and a traumatic family history. Donna had been in foster care from age 10, following a turbulent parental separation, and was later raised by her grandparents. Her life was marked by repeated experiences of abuse, rejection, substance misuse, and domestic violence.

In early 2020, Donna moved from Cumbria to Kirklees to escape violence and was placed in supported accommodation before securing her own flat. She was discharged from mental health services in Carlisle and referred locally, but had only brief contact before being discharged again. Donna entered a violent relationship with a man known to services, and although police and domestic abuse services were involved, no charges were brought.

She was later groomed and sexually exploited by another man and his associates, held against her will, and given drugs and alcohol. After escaping and contacting police, she was prosecuted for her behaviour during the incident, while no action was taken against the alleged perpetrators. Her mental health deteriorated, and she made several A&E visits with suicidal thoughts but struggled to engage with follow-up care.

In September 2021, Donna returned to Carlisle, staying with her grandparents after presenting as homeless. She was discussed at MARAC and entered another violent relationship. Adult Social Care assessed her twice, and she received support for alcohol misuse. She was also under probation following her earlier conviction. Despite being allocated temporary housing and maintaining contact with a local youth homelessness charity, her mental health continued to decline. She made multiple crisis calls and overdoses, resulting in further A&E assessments.

Donna's death highlights the complexity of safeguarding individuals with multiple vulnerabilities and the need for coordinated, trauma-informed responses across services.

# Kirklees Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) carried out

Given the broad timeframe of the external review (2011–2022), local agencies undertook a lessons learned exercise to examine service engagement with Donna, the support provided, and key learning from the partnership’s response.

Of the nine recommendations outlined in the report, 5 of them were directly relevant to agencies operating within Kirklees due to the circumstances of her residency in the Kirklees area;

1. As part of improving safeguarding services with an understanding of the impact of abuse on how adults may present to services, all agencies commit to ensure their responses to referrals for domestic, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation reflect a sufficient and trauma informed approach, which specifically includes consideration of the decision making or engagement difficulties for adults subject to coercive control and how this may impact on an adult’s ability to protect themselves.
2. To ensure that the local authority meet the requirement to offer all Care Leavers the support of a Personal Advisor up to their 25th birthday and the duty to notify the Secretary of State for Education and Ofsted of the death of a care leaver up to and including the age of 24.
3. CSAB and KSAB to consider reviewing and updating current operational guidance for staff regarding lawful and best practice for multi-agency information sharing agreements as part of safeguarding adults responsibilities, including when an adult moves between local authority areas, in order to escape abuse, whether or not these are part of formal safeguarding adults plans.
4. CSAB and KSAB to receive assurance from relevant services that staff can demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between borderline personality disorders, abusive relationships (where domestic abuse and sexual abuse/exploitation occurs) and subsequent safeguarding adults duties, where an adult is unable to protect themselves as set out in S42 Care Act 2014, to ensure sufficient action is taken to identify and meet this duty.
5. Can agencies provide assurance that there is a process for managing complex cases, such as adults with mental health diagnosis including those with personality disorders where there have been patterns of suicidal and / or high-risk behaviours. The process should include adherence to evidence base practice identified in the NICE guidance and clearly demonstrate assessment of capacity through a trauma informed lens.

Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board in collaboration with Cumbria Safeguarding Adults Board are continuing to work with partners to ensure all 9 learning and recommendations from the SAR are embedded across all agencies in Kirklees. [Read the full Learning Brief.](#)

# Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)

Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP) is a person-centred approach that ensures adults at risk and/or their advocates are actively involved in safeguarding enquiries, with their views central to outcomes.

For this year's annual report, agencies shared examples of MSP in action. These stories that are relayed over the following pages demonstrate how person-centred principles are embedded in daily practice, showcasing professional curiosity, respectful engagement, and tailored support. The initiative celebrates good practice and encourages ongoing learning across the partnership.

## **Safeguarding Case Summary Examples**

### **Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust (CHFT)**

A patient attended Emergency Department with urinary retention and disclosed he was an asylum seeker placed in adult temporary accommodation. He stated he was a child awaiting Home Office age assessment, though registered as an adult. He presented with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and a history of suicide attempts/self-harm.

The Hospital Safeguarding Team was involved from the outset. Challenges arose due to conflicting age claims. The team collaborated with legal services and external agencies to ensure appropriate support. A social worker was assigned, and an urgent age assessment led to the patient being taken into care by children's services.

Ward staff provided age-appropriate support, including clothing and games. St Augustine's charity helped retrieve his belongings. He was discharged into a placement with peers who spoke his language, with intensive mental health support and ongoing charity involvement.

This case demonstrated a strong multi-agency response, ensuring the child's voice was heard and a tailored care plan was implemented. All involved went above and beyond to secure positive outcomes.

# Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)

**Kirklees Council - Adult Social Care** applied MSP principles to safeguarding enquiries under Section 42 of the Care Act, including a complex case involving a married couple over 65. Concerns included physical abuse, coercive control, and financial exploitation.

Despite multiple police callouts and alcohol-related incidents, both individuals initially declined formal support. The male partner refused care, relying solely on his wife—who was herself at risk. Both were assessed as having capacity to make informed decisions.

Social workers from Safeguarding and Hub teams maintained engagement, respecting the couple's choices while managing risk. A safeguarding plan was co-produced, including contingency arrangements for emergency accommodation. This was activated when the female partner experienced a physical assault and chose to leave.

This case highlights MSP in action - balancing autonomy, choice, and positive risk-taking with the duty to protect. The response was person-centred and tailored to the couple's outcomes.

**Kirklees Council Housing Services** apply MSP for all assessments carried out. Adaptations and housing needs are assessed on a person-centred basis which includes safeguarding and applies the making safeguarding personal principles. This includes involving the customers voice and tailoring an assessment of need around their individual circumstances. If any elements of safeguarding are identified it is raised with a senior and it is worth re-iterating that, should it meet a sec 42 threshold then it is raised with the relevant safeguarding teams.

The service has a safeguarding plan, based on learning we bring back from SAR and L&D groups which promotes staff's awareness and understanding of safeguarding and when and where to raise a concern effectively. We have many improvements from the plan some of the things include:

- Leading on multi agency meetings
- Case closure/was not seen protocol.
- Increased wellbeing checks of people in temporary accommodation
- Ongoing training and learning.

# Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP)

**Kirklees Council Homes and Neighbourhoods** tenancy enablement and tenancy sustainment teams support MSP by empowering tenants to maintain their tenancy and prevent homelessness. This is done through tailoring the support to meet the needs of individual tenants, addressing barriers to effective engagement and referring into specialist services for ongoing support.

KHN often need to work outside of the Allocations Policy when situations require. In these cases senior officers will seek to allocate more appropriate tenancies. This is used on occasions where tenants may be at risk of harm, such as those experiencing abuse and exploitation.

**West Yorkshire Police** worked closely with partner agencies and the public to support an older gentleman with dementia who was frequently reported missing. He was often seen wandering inappropriately dressed in the early hours, raising concerns from officers and the community.

Kirklees Police and PCSOs responded quickly, ensuring his safety and recognising the need for long-term support. Each time officers engaged with him, they submitted Public Protection Notices (PPNs) to the Health and Social Care Hub and consulted with the individual about his wishes and views.

A multi-agency meeting was held to share information and agree a sustainable plan. The man is now safe and receiving appropriate care in a residential setting.

This case highlights the value of partnership working, timely information sharing, and listening to the individual at the centre of safeguarding to ensure the right support is provided at the right time.

**South West Yorkshire NHS Partnership Foundation Trust** safeguarding team continue to promote the MSP principles in training, advice and supervision. It is evident in patient records that practitioners frequently seek out the views of service users, and act in a way that is empowering, supportive and person centred. This is particularly evident with the recent introduction of the new care plan on the electronic patient record system, that is centred around collaborative and inclusive care planning that involves the service user and trusted other in developing a personalised plan of care.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives

In our 2023-24 Annual Report, we outlined a forward-looking commitment to address several emerging and ongoing areas of concern in 2024-25. These included:

Transitions

Domestic Abuse

Work with Families and Households

Community Work and Community Networks

Responding to Resource and Capacity Reductions

While these priorities were clearly articulated, it was acknowledged that to ensure meaningful and sustainable progress, preparatory work was required. This was explored in depth during a specially convened meeting of the Strategic Delivery Group, which focused on how we could better deliver on these existing priorities by looking at cross cutting themes that support the work of services within the partnership.

Throughout 2024-25, our approach was to continue progressing the 2023-24 priorities while strategically focusing the partnership on improving its delivery on these four identified practice themes:

1. Supporting the Workforce
2. Learning from Experience
3. Strengthening Partnership Working
4. Community and Public Engagement

This dual-track method was not only practical but necessary. For example, greater support for the workforce empowers intervention, learning from experience directly informs our work with families and households, a tighter partnership model reduces gaps between services and community engagement gives us greater insight as to what is required, what works and a greater knowledge of what resource lies within our community.

This integrated approach allowed us to maintain momentum, leverage existing strengths, and incorporate new initiatives within a stable and informed framework. Progress was achieved through collective action as a Board, work conducted within our subgroups, and the unique contributions of individual partner agencies. The following section details how these priorities were advanced and accomplished, through collaborative efforts across the Board, focused work within our subgroups, and the individual contributions of partner agencies throughout the 2024-25 year.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 1. Supporting the Workforce

Partner agencies and Board subgroups have continued to prioritise workforce development, wellbeing, and safeguarding awareness. A range of initiatives were delivered throughout the year, with common themes including trauma-informed practice, safeguarding supervision, champion models, strategic planning, and creative learning approaches.

### 1.1 Training and Professional Development

West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service – Kirklees District delivered quarterly CPD sessions across all operational shifts, covering Trauma Risk Management (TRiM) and facilitating enhanced DBS checks to support safe recruitment practices.

Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust (CHFT) reviewed role-specific training to support staff in identifying and responding to safeguarding concerns. Introduced bespoke Mental Health Act training led by the Nurse Consultant for Mental Health. Training compliance improved, particularly around receipt and scrutiny of Mental Health Act papers.

Mid Yorkshire NHS Teaching Trust (MYTT) delivered safeguarding and Mental Capacity Act (MCA) education through MaST (Mandatory and Statutory Training) levels 1–3. The Think Family team provided bespoke training to clinical teams and hosted a safeguarding conference for internal and external colleagues. Bitesize learning modules were introduced and will be made available to external partners.

Kirklees Council Home and Neighbourhoods (KHN) maintained mandatory training on self-neglect, hoarding, and domestic abuse for new starters, with a three-year refresher cycle. Updated training for property services staff is scheduled for rollout in August 2025.

Kirklees Council Housing Services continued to use the Housing Services Safeguarding Plan as a strategic tool, with actions aligned to the Learning & Development and SAR subgroups. Refreshed risk assessments and promoted safeguarding roles through the champions model.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 1. Supporting the Workforce

Adult Social Care (ASC) supported staff attendance at both Kirklees Council safeguarding training and new KSAB modules. Feedback was positive, with staff reporting greater confidence in handling Section 42 enquiries. Team Managers have been supported to release staff onto training and to ensure attendance.

Kirklees Health and Care Partnership (KHCP) Building on the success of the 2023 West Yorkshire Domestic Abuse Summits, KHCP's Designated Professional led the organisation of a further DA Health Summit in July 2024. It brought together DA leads from across West Yorkshire, including primary care, community care, mental health, ambulance trusts, and acute trusts, to share good practice and identify gaps. It reviewed progress on the previous work plan, with a focus on Non-Fatal Strangulation (NFS), supported by speakers from the Institute for Addressing Strangulation (IFAS). A further summit is planned for Autumn 2025.

ICB Safeguarding Team continued to support the 3 boards (KSAB/KSCP/KCSP) Embedding Learning from Reviews Task and Finish Group, identifying key learning themes from statutory reviews across West Yorkshire to inform future safeguarding priorities. The team also reviewed the annual Safeguarding Standards self-assessment document, introducing a revised GP safeguarding standards tool and a unified assurance process. Additionally, the Named GP for Safeguarding facilitated four GP Safeguarding Leads meetings and a Primary Care Protected Practice Time event in September 2024, attended by over 500 primary care staff.

KSAB Learning & Development Subgroup focused on proactive learning from early indicators rather than waiting for SAR outcomes. Prepared the "Kirklees Learning from Tragedy – Working Together to Get It Right" offer, exploring trauma and decision-making impacts during Safeguarding Week. Developed training around safeguarding as "everybody's business" and promoted creative learning approaches. MCA awareness resources were disseminated via the contact and practice resources on the online policy and procedures platform (Tri.x). A gap analysis of safeguarding learning needs was initiated in collaboration with the Children's Partnership. A learning brief on domestic abuse and dementia was shared, with further resources in development.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 1. Supporting the Workforce

### 1.2 Supervision and Staff Support

CHFT ensured access to safeguarding supervision to support case management and staff wellbeing.

MYTT provided safeguarding supervision and confidential support for staff experiencing domestic abuse.

West Yorkshire Police introduced bespoke workload review sessions to manage increasing demand and support officers in achieving positive outcomes.

Locala - Despite operating with a small safeguarding team across a large geographical footprint, Locala has remained a consistent and valued contributor to the partnership. The team has actively participated in subgroups and Board meetings, helping shape strategic priorities and supporting multi-agency working. Locala's involvement has been particularly important in responding to the increasing number of SARs and other Local Statutory Reviews, which are resource-intensive. The Board has acknowledged these pressures and provided hybrid access to meetings and additional support to help Locala maintain its engagement and impact.

### 1.3 Champion Models and Internal Networks

KHN maintained a team of safeguarding champions within property services to support staff and enhance practice. A new Safeguarding Partnerships Officer was appointed to provide additional support for complex casework.

MYTT expanded the Think Family Champions network to 247 members. Champions received regular updates via monthly meetings and newsletters, helping to embed safeguarding awareness across the organisation.

Kirklees Housing Services promoted safeguarding roles through its champions offer, helping staff build confidence in applying safeguarding procedures.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 1. Supporting the Workforce

### 1.4 Systems and Strategic Planning

KHN implemented a new housing management system with a dedicated safeguarding workflow to improve case recording, monitoring, and management oversight. All safeguarding-related Standing Operational Procedures were reviewed and stored centrally on the Quality Management System.

Introduced three new or updated policies; Vulnerable Tenants, Domestic Abuse, and Anti-Social Behaviour, with staff training planned for August/September 2025.

Kirklees Housing Services reaffirmed safeguarding as a standalone priority in its 2025–26 strategic plan.

Adult Social Care (ASC) relaunched its Practice and Quality Group to lead safeguarding audits and share findings with senior leadership and learning teams to improve practice. ASC also supported the SARs learning event, with staff contributing to discussions on applying learning in daily work.

### 1.5 Governance and Accountability

KHN developed a safeguarding action plan for 2025–26, managed through its internal Safeguarding Steering Group, which was recently reviewed to strengthen accountability across the service.

#### KSAB Learning & Development Subgroup

Despite workforce pressures affecting partner capacity to deliver and attend learning events, the subgroup continued to share good practice around dissemination of learning. It supported the transition of MCA Task & Finish Group work to other relevant subgroups and began shaping the 2025–26 learning offer.

ASC - The Service Manager for Adult Safeguarding has continued to contribute to the Risk Escalation Conference (REC) group, chairing meetings and ensuring feedback is cascaded to relevant teams and the wider workforce.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 2. Learning From Experience

Partner agencies and Board subgroups have continued to embed learning from safeguarding reviews, serious incidents, and lived experience into their practice. This has been achieved through reflective events, audit processes, peer learning, and multi-agency collaboration.

**Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust (CHFT).** The Resilience and Safety Group is overseeing the response to reports of sexual harassment, assault, and abuse in the NHS. CHFT has signed the Sexual Safety Charter, reinforcing its commitment to a culture of care. The BLOSM service continues to embed learning from local reviews, including the placement of drug and alcohol workers in Emergency Departments. The safeguarding champions network has expanded, with community champions identified and a meet-and-greet held during Safeguarding Week 2024.

**Kirklees Council Home and Neighbourhoods (KH&N).** Learning from SARs and other Local Reviews are embedded through the internal Safeguarding Steering Group. A new rapid review process helps identify early learning from serious incidents and guides decisions on whether to escalate to formal review. A peer review audit process for safeguarding, domestic abuse, and ASB cases has been introduced, with findings shared across teams to inform training and practice. KH&N continues to bring back learning from the SAR panel and subgroups and is committed to service improvement through recommendations, refocusing on core safeguarding principles where needed.

Case reviews and audits remain a priority, supported by dedicated staffing to ensure this work is sustained. The Domestic Abuse Action Plan, launching in September 2025, sets out a two-year strategy to strengthen the service's response to victims and survivors.

**Kirklees Council Housing Services** continues to bring back learning from the SAR panel and subgroups to inform service development. The service is actively implementing improvement recommendations, including revisiting foundational safeguarding practices. Case reviews and audits are prioritised as standard practice, supported by appropriate staffing resources to ensure sustainability and impact.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 2. Learning From Experience

**West Yorkshire Police (WYP)** identified gaps in experience within adult safeguarding teams and responded by working with the training school to deliver enhanced training on adult safeguarding investigations. This has improved staff confidence and the quality of investigations.

**West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service (WYFRS)** entered the final phase of the “Fires in Tall Buildings” programme, including live exercises at a high-rise training venue in Leeds. These exercises build on earlier virtual briefings and walkthroughs, embedding operational policy and capturing learning. A final learning report will be produced to inform future practice.

**Mid Yorkshire NHS Teaching Trust (MYTT)** prioritised the voice of individuals and families through initiatives such as a survivor-led presentation at the safeguarding conference and a domestic abuse case study at the quality conference. Safeguarding training at levels 2 and 3 includes a continuous case study following a “think family” pathway. Learning from SARs and other Local Reviews are shared through champions’ meetings. A key development area is improving how the organisation captures and applies lived experience to shape future services.

**Locala** shared and received safeguarding learning through the Board and subgroups. The safeguarding team disseminates learning via newsletters and Tri.x and delivers twice-monthly 30-minute briefings based on serious incidents. These briefings are well-received due to their flexibility. Locala supported a SAR/DHR learning event with 200 attendees and supported Safeguarding Week events in November and June, which drew 400 and 343 attendees respectively. Themes included domestic abuse and the elimination of violence against women and girls.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 2. Learning From Experience

**Kirklees Health and Care Partnership (KHCP) & ICB** Safeguarding Team. The Designated Professional for Safeguarding Adults is Deputy Chair of the KSAB SAR Standing Subgroup and a standing member of the DHR Panel (led by the Kirklees Communities Board) and Domestic Abuse Board. This role supports the sharing and monitoring of health-related actions and early learning. In response to a local SAR, the Designated Professional led a multi-agency group focused on domestic abuse and older people, particularly where cognitive impairment and caring responsibilities intersect. This group helped plan a practitioner learning event in January 2025.

The KHCP Safeguarding Team also co-chairs the Health Alliance Group, a network for safeguarding leads across Calderdale, Kirklees, and Wakefield. This group supports the dissemination of learning and training offers from KSAB and national reviews, ensuring they reach frontline staff through provider-led training and communications.

**South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SWYPFT)** The safeguarding team continue to actively engage in partnership meetings and sub – groups across the Trust footprint contributing to Safeguarding Adult Reviews and Domestic Abuse Related Death reviews. Ensuring learning is shared across the footprint.

The Safeguarding team have worked hard to create a new full day Level 3 safeguarding training that comprises of ½ a day child and ½ a day adult safeguarding. This training is for all new starters to the Trust and is delivered in person. It includes learning from SAR's and DHRs with the use of case studies and opportunity for shared learning and rich discussion.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 3. Partnership Working

Multi-agency collaboration remains central to safeguarding adults in Kirklees. Partners continue to work together across strategic boards, subgroups, and frontline services to improve outcomes, share learning, and strengthen safeguarding responses.

**Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust (CHFT)** developed an online safeguarding referral process to improve referral quality, outcomes, and data consistency. Worked jointly with Adult Social Care to enhance the multi-agency response to Section 42 enquiries, improving outcomes for patients, families, and carers. Supported 212 victims of domestic abuse through Ministry of Justice funding for the Health IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advocate) - an increase of 35 from the previous year.

**Kirklees Council Home and Neighbourhoods (KHN)** actively participates in multi-agency forums including MARAC, VAAM, ASBRAC, DASP which are led by the Communities Board, and convenes meetings where safeguarding concerns arise. Works closely with Safer Kirklees to deliver the ASB Strategy and is represented on KSAB and KSCP subgroups. A new housing management system will enhance data capture and case management, supporting more effective multi-agency working.

**Kirklees Council Housing Services** reaffirmed its commitment to KSAB and subgroup participation, particularly SAR and L&D, to address learning gaps and influence strategic change. Continued to strengthen partnership working to align procedures and policies and achieve shared safeguarding goals.

**West Yorkshire Police (WYP)** continued to develop its partnership with PDAP to improve support for vulnerable adults. PDAP delivered training across core policing functions to raise awareness and improve service delivery.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 3. Partnership Working

**West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service (WYFRS)** contributes to the wider Kirklees Partnership through leadership roles, including Chair of the Road Safety Partnership and Deputy Chair of the Communities Board. Led collaborative training with the University of Huddersfield and YAS for trainee paramedics.

**Mid Yorkshire NHS Teaching Trust (MYTT)** actively engaged in KSAB subgroups including Learning & Development and Quality & Performance, as well as Task & Finish Groups, REC meetings, and the Hoarding Subgroup. Maintains strong links with the Kirklees safeguarding team and domestic abuse arrangements to ensure coordinated responses.

**Kirklees Council Adult Social Care (ASC)** maintains a strong partnership presence across KSAB subgroups, co-chairing roles and contributing to strategic planning, audits, and learning dissemination. Co-developed and delivered learning sessions during Safeguarding Week 2025.

ASC is actively involved in CHESP (Care Home Early Support and Prevention) and MAEQS (Multi Agency Enhanced Quality Surveillance) to ensure quality assurance and escalation for provider concerns. Worked with Contracts and Commissioning to manage two care home closures, coordinating risk mitigation and resident support.

ASC maintains regular partnership meetings with hospitals to improve MCA protocols and Section 42 processes. Collaborates bi-monthly with WYFEAT to address financial abuse, resulting in successful legal outcomes. Delivered PIPOT training to new police officers to support early identification of safeguarding concerns.

Co-location with West Yorkshire Police has enhanced intelligence sharing and enabled real-time safeguarding responses, strengthening joint working on investigations and prevention.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 3. Partnership Working

**Locala** maintains a strong presence across the partnership and collaborates on complex safeguarding cases, including older adults, domestic abuse, cognitive decline, and cuckooing. MDT meetings and trauma-informed approaches have been used to address risk and harm. Supported a SAR/DHR learning event.

**Kirklees Health and Care Partnership (KHCP) & ICB** Safeguarding Team. As a statutory partner, KHCP continues to lead and influence safeguarding through: Chairing the Strategic Delivery Group and SAR Subgroup, Co-chairing the Quality & Performance subgroup and contributing to the Learning & Development subgroup

KHCP& ICB supports the KSAB multi-agency learning offer and Network Events and also worked closely with the Community Safety and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to align workstreams on shared priorities such as domestic abuse and the Think Family approach

KHCP& ICB Participates in the annual KSAB Challenge Event to demonstrate compliance with statutory safeguarding duties.

**South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SWYPFT)** The safeguarding team continue to actively engage in partnership meetings and sub – groups across the Trust footprint contributing to Safeguarding Adult reviews and Domestic Homicide Reviews. Ensuring learning is shared across the footprint. The safeguarding team continue to actively participate in multiagency audits to help inform learning and practice, and to provide assurance.

# KSAB Shared Priority Objectives:

## 4. Community / Public Engagement

Across Kirklees, safeguarding partners have worked collectively to strengthen engagement with communities, ensuring that safeguarding is not only understood but actively shaped by those it affects. This shared commitment has focused on raising awareness, improving access to support, and embedding lived experience into service design and delivery.

Partners have prioritised listening to individuals and families, recognising that meaningful engagement leads to more responsive and inclusive services. Community voices have informed refreshed policies, strategic planning, and service improvements. Examples include consultation exercises, tenant-led panels, and collaborative forums that bring together statutory services, voluntary organisations, and people with lived experience.

Efforts to reduce inequalities and promote inclusion have been supported through targeted outreach, trauma-informed practice, and improved accessibility. Partners have worked to identify and respond to the needs of marginalised groups, including those affected by homelessness, domestic abuse, mental health challenges, and exploitation. Intelligence-gathering initiatives and peer advocacy models have helped build a clearer picture of community needs and barriers to engagement.

Public confidence in safeguarding services has been strengthened through transparent consultation processes and community risk planning. Engagement events, conferences, and learning reviews have provided opportunities for shared reflection and improvement. The partnership continues to promote early intervention, wellbeing conversations, and accessible referral pathways to ensure individuals receive timely support.

Collectively, the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board and its partners remain committed to fostering trust, amplifying community voices, and ensuring safeguarding is a shared responsibility across the district.

# Summary of Impact of the Safeguarding Partnership

## How We've Made a Difference Across Kirklees

This summary presents a comprehensive overview of the work undertaken by the Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) throughout the year. It reflects not only progress against the Board's Shared Priority Objectives but also the broader safeguarding activity that embodies the six principles of safeguarding: empowerment, prevention, proportionality, protection, partnership, and accountability. Through multi-agency collaboration, learning from experience, workforce development, and community engagement, KSAB continues to drive forward a person-centred approach to safeguarding that is responsive, inclusive, and impactful.

### 1. Person-Centred Safeguarding (Making Safeguarding Personal - MSP)

Real-life case examples show how safeguarding has been tailored to individual needs:

- An asylum seeker wrongly registered as an adult received age-appropriate care and mental health support through multi-agency collaboration.
- A couple over 65 facing abuse and coercive control were supported with a safeguarding plan that respected their autonomy while ensuring safety.
- Housing services embedded MSP in assessments, leading to improved wellbeing checks and safeguarding awareness among staff.
- New care plan on the SWYPFT electronic patient record system, that is centred around collaborative and inclusive care planning that involves the service user.

### 2. Strengthened Multi-Agency Working

Agencies worked together to:

- Respond to complex safeguarding cases including dementia, domestic abuse, and exploitation.
- Share intelligence in real-time, improving outcomes and preventing harm.
- Co-deliver learning events and training, enhancing frontline practice.

### 3. Learning from Experience

Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) and serious incident audits led to:

- Improved protocols and training (e.g., domestic abuse and dementia).
- Embedding lessons into daily practice across services.

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- Development of rapid review processes and peer audits to identify early learning.
- A new full-day, in-person Level 3 safeguarding training for all SWYPFT new starters covers child and adult safeguarding, including learning from SARs and DHRs.

## 4. Workforce Development and Support

Staff across agencies received:

- Trauma-informed training, safeguarding supervision, and bespoke learning modules.
- Support for wellbeing and case management, especially in high-pressure roles.
- Champion models and internal networks to promote safeguarding culture.
- A pilot modular training programme was introduced, replacing full-day sessions for Multi-agency Safeguarding Adults Policy and Procedure training with flexible one-hour modules to improve accessibility and increase staff participation.

## 5. Community and Public Engagement

Services reached vulnerable individuals through:

- Outreach vans, tenancy support teams, and safeguarding champions.
- Community forums and consultation events, ensuring lived experience shaped service delivery.
- Improved referral pathways and early intervention strategies.

## 6. Strategic Improvements and System Change

Agencies adapted to resource pressures by:

- Implementing new systems for safeguarding case management.
- Aligning safeguarding with broader transformation programmes.
- Strengthening governance and accountability through action plans and audits.

The Board and its subgroups adopted a Management by Exception approach during 2024-25, enabling:

- Focused decision-making – subgroup Chairs address only significant issues.
- Empowered teams – subgroups progress work with greater independence.
- Clear priorities – escalated matters are defined and strategically managed.
- Reduced admin – less routine reporting allows more time for action.

# Annual Board Challenge 2024-25

The KSAB Challenge Event remains a key part of our annual cycle, offering space for honest conversations, reflection, and planning. Senior representatives from partner agencies meet with a small, independent panel that provides informal challenge and support. This helps us share learning, assess progress, and agree on shared priorities for the year ahead.

This year, the event looked back at how we've delivered on the Board's Shared Objectives from 2023-24:

- Supporting the Workforce
- Learning from Experience
- Strengthening Partnership Working
- Community and Public Engagement

It also looked forward to the new areas we committed to exploring in our 2024-25 Annual Report, including:

- Transitions
- Domestic Abuse
- Work with Families and Households
- Community Work and Community Networks
- Managing with Fewer Resources and Reduced Capacity

We recognised that the new priorities couldn't be fully implemented straight away. Instead, the Challenge Event provided a space to explore how they could be realistically and sustainably built into our existing work. Continuing progress on current priorities while preparing for new ones proved both practical and necessary.

The Challenge Event reaffirmed our shared commitment to safeguarding adults through collaboration, adaptability, and forward thinking. It remains a vital way for the Board to stay focused, responsive, and aligned with the needs of our communities.

# 2024/25 Challenge Event Key Findings

The KSAB Challenge Event provided a space for partners to reflect on safeguarding performance and shape priorities for 2025/26. This summary highlights achievements under the 2024/25 objectives and outlines the Board's new strategic direction.

## **Rough Sleeping & Complex Needs**

A trauma-informed, multi-agency approach is essential to support individuals rough sleeping. Existing services are valuable but not consistently accessible across Kirklees. More outreach and coordination are needed to improve long-term engagement.

## **Mental Health & Service Gaps**

Individuals with severe mental health needs often fall between services. There is a need to develop more inclusive, trauma-aware responses and address gaps where people do not meet service thresholds.

## **Think Family Approach**

Strong progress in embedding whole-household safeguarding across agencies. Real-life case studies and joint working are improving early identification and response, but further consistency is needed.

## **Community Safeguarding & Inequality**

Safeguarding inequalities persist across communities. Co-production, community champions, and lived experience must be central to future engagement strategies. Mapping needs by geography and background is essential to inform resource allocation.

## **Embedding Learning from Reviews**

SAR and DHR learning is increasingly embedded through training, supervision, and audit. Immediate learning is being translated into practice, but measuring impact remains a priority.

## **Final Reflections**

The strength of the partnership remains a key asset as services face significant structural changes. Maintaining safeguarding as a central focus during reform is critical.

# Forward Plan

## KSAB Shared Priority Objectives 2025–26

The Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) has identified five shared priority objectives to guide its strategic focus over the coming year. These priorities reflect learning from Safeguarding Adults Reviews, national policy developments, and local partnership insights.

### **1. Improving Transitions.**

KSAB will address risks during life transitions (e.g. age, service changes, housing, legal status) by promoting better coordination across services. Focus will be placed on bridging gaps between children's and adults' services and supporting families during transitions. Progress will be monitored through Board subgroups and feedback loops.

### **2. Domestic Abuse**

In response to rising domestic abuse reports, KSAB will align closely with the Domestic Abuse Partnership Board to embed a trauma-informed, multi-agency response. Joint working with other strategic boards will reduce duplication and improve safeguarding outcomes. Assurance will be sought through subgroup reporting and the annual Challenge Event.

### **3. Working with Families and Households (including Homelessness)**

KSAB will promote a whole-family approach, recognising interconnected risks across individuals in shared households. The Board will engage with the Homelessness Forum and incorporate ministerial recommendations on rough sleeping. The Quality & Performance subgroup will monitor outcomes and workforce development needs.

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### **4. Community Engagement and Safeguarding Inequalities**

KSAB will strengthen collaboration with Kirklees Communities Board to address safeguarding inequalities and improve engagement. Data from Agency Highlight Reports will inform targeted interventions. Community insight will shape service improvements and reduce pressure on statutory services.

### **5. Resource and Capacity Challenges**

Recognising sector-wide resource constraints, KSAB will embed a “golden thread” of efficiency across all objectives. Partners will be encouraged to streamline safeguarding processes and gather workforce feedback to inform system improvements. Monitoring will be ongoing via subgroups and strategic events.

We will continue to work and support the Communities Board and Children Safeguarding Partnership with our shared priority objectives we will combine our work streams and strive to reach effective outcomes for all the communities we work with, in this forthcoming year, and the years that will follow.

Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board.

# Key Partner Contact Information

## **Kirklees Council Adult Social Care – Reporting a Concern**

Community Health and Social Care Hub

First point of contact for reporting safeguarding adults concerns and for advice and support:

Tel: 0300 304 5555

[For further information on how to report a safeguarding concern](#)

## **Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board**

[Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board website](#)

### **Police**

#### **Emergencies:**

Always dial 999 in an emergency where there is a danger to life, or a crime is in progress.

This number is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

From a mobile phone, please dial 999 or 112.

#### **Non-Emergencies:**

Telephone 101 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) for non-emergencies where:

- police attendance is required
- to report a crime
- to report other incidents

## **West Yorkshire Police Safeguarding Unit**

The team of specialist police officers have expertise in supporting the vulnerable and in partnership working.

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This is an e-mail address which is not constantly monitored.

Any issues requiring Police action should be reported on 101 and in an emergency ring 999.