



# South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter  
April Edition

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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## April Edition

This April edition of the newsletter is a combined newsletter for both the South Gloucestershire Children's Partnership and the Safeguarding Adults Board. Please share widely within your organisation.

This newsletter, and back copies from the last few months are now available on the website. You can find them all [here](#) on the Children's Partnership site and [here](#) on the Safeguarding Adults Board website.

### Spotlight on Training

Bitesize Child Exploitation Sessions – April & May [Book Here](#)

Bitesize Thresholds Workshop – April & July [Book Here](#)

Regional FGM Training – May [Book Here](#)

Bitesize Private Fostering Training – April & May [Book Here](#)

NEW Anti-Slavery Digital Learning is available for Free [here](#)

Full programme of Safeguarding Adults Training is [here](#)

Full programme of Safeguarding Children Training is [here](#)



### Easter Holiday Activities & Food Programme (HAF)

If you work with children and families who are entitled to Free School Meals please tell them about the HAF programme running during the school holidays.

Parents can apply directly, and all the information is available on [this page](#).

There is some flexibility for children who have other vulnerabilities. Please get in touch with [Nicky Wake](#) if you have any questions.

There is also an additional offer which is a family ticket to the SS Great Britain – this is being funded by South Gloucestershire Council details are [here](#)

## Bike Riding



Learning to ride a bike safely – during the school holidays – for children in school year 3 and above.

All the information you need is available [here](#) and for more information you can contact [cycle.holiday@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:cycle.holiday@southglos.gov.uk)

## Explore the Safeguarding Website

The Children's Partnership and Safeguarding Adults Board have a joint website.

Never visited? [Click here to look](#)

To help you find your way around and know what is there – each month there will be a spotlight on a different area of the site in 2022.

### \*Brand New Page about Neglect\*

The Children's Partnership have a brand new section on the website about Neglect. Look at the whole page [here](#)

This includes:

- Updated [Neglect Toolkit](#) – Relunched March 2022
- Separate link just to the '[tools for the job](#)' which are Part Two of the whole toolkit
- Links to download each tool individually
- Links to Research and other National Tools
- Coming Soon – Free Bitesize training sessions

Audits have shown us that practitioners don't always use the Neglect Toolkit and, in some cases, don't even know it exists.



**What will you do to make sure more professionals know this new page is available to help them in their practice?**

## Safeguarding Adults – New Guidance



The Safeguarding Adults Board have published new practice guidance about Homelessness. This guidance is intended to help staff give better informed and more effective support to people who need an adult safeguarding service because of homelessness or risk of homelessness



[Read the Homelessness Guidance here](#)

## Older Adult Abuse



Hourglass launches the first ever 24/7 helpline to combat the “hidden epidemic” of abuse against older people

Hourglass is calling on care homes, GP surgeries, police/PCC and other charities who support and care for older people to promote the helpline and bring the issue out into the open.

As many as 2.7 million people are thought to be affected by the abuse of older people in the UK, yet new data from the charity’s helpline shows only a fraction of those victims (0.2%) are accessing the helpline to get specialist support from Hourglass

The helpline number is 080 8808 8141 More information is available [here](#)

## Training Opportunities – Who could you share these with?

**Reproviding Domestic Violence Perpetrator Programme Training:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 10am – 12:30pm Via Zoom – [link to join is here](#) more details from [Sally Stockham](#)

**Recognising and Responding to Organisational Abuse and Neglect:** Wed 27<sup>th</sup> April 9:30am-4:30pm [More details here](#)

**Women and Gambling Harms** – Free Training – 90 minutes online training multiple dates in May and June [Contact Clare for details](#)

**Raising Safeguarding Concerns (Adults)** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April last minute spaces – [Book Here](#)

**Trauma Awareness and Recovery Training** – Free One Day Course – 14<sup>th</sup> September – [Book here](#)

**Cuckooing** - ‘self-teach’ style presentation and includes a number of videos, including a victim’s account – [View the resource here](#)



## Children and Young People’s Mental Health Directory



This directory provides a place for children and young people, their families and professionals to get quick, easy and direct access to up-to-date mental health and wellbeing information in South Gloucestershire, including:

- Clear, accurate information about support and services available in South Gloucestershire
- Ideas for activities locally to help you look after your wellbeing
- Self-help tools and information including online resources

[See the Directory here](#)

## Supporting parents and carers: A guide for those working with families affected by child sexual abuse

Brand New Guidance from the Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA) – the guidance is available [here](#)

There are also a 12 part film series for professionals about working with child sexual abuse available [here](#)

## Child Q – Child Safeguarding Practice Review



This picture was drawn by a South Glos young person about equality and feeling different.

Young people have been working with the participation officer in South Glos council and raised their worries about what they had heard in the media about Child Q.

Think about how you would talk to young people asking about what happened.

[Read the review about Child Q here](#)

## #FriendsCanTell Campaign

The Friends Can Tell campaign has been launched by SafeLives to raise awareness of abusive and toxic relationships among young people.

The campaign is part of the Your Best Friend project and aims to de-normalise controlling behaviours that hundreds of young people said are so common in their social circles that they are considered normal.

The campaign encourages young people to recognise the signs of abuse in the relationships of their friends and offers support and guidance of how to approach the subject. For example, they can be empowered to tell their friend 'That's not OK' or tell a professional in order to get their friend the support they need.

The campaign launched on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2022 on [Instagram](#) and will be followed by a TikTok series, films, podcasts and a national poster campaign throughout 2022, all under the hashtag #FriendsCanTell.

For support or more information regarding the Friends Can Tell campaign, [click here](#).



If you would like to be added to the distribution list for newsletters or have something you would like to include in a future edition please get in touch with Sarah Taylor [here](#)