



South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter
March Edition

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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This March 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 – March, April & May [Book Here](#)

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

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

Talking to children about war

We have all seen the horrific scenes from Ukraine unfold on our television screens and online, it can be difficult to know how best to talk to children about what is happening in Ukraine.

Here are some links you may find useful to use or to share with families:

[Information from Childline](#)

[DfE information – The Education Hub](#)

[Childnet – Supporting Children if they see upsetting content](#)

[Children's Commissioner Article](#)

Stop Loan Sharks



A mum-of-three has spoken out about her terrifying experience of being trapped by a loan shark who drove her to the brink of suicide and made her family homeless at Christmas.



You can watch her story by clicking the picture.

The Stop Loan Sharks latest newsletter is also available to read [here](#).

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.

Key Information for Professionals

Both the children's partnership and safeguarding adults board web pages have a tab for professionals. Clicking on the tab opens all the multi-agency policies and tools for practitioners from all organisations. Why not spend 10 minutes exploring what is available to support you with your work?

[If you work with adults click here](#)

[If you work with children click here](#)



Discretionary SAR – 'Mrs Y'



The Safeguarding Adults Board have published a new Discretionary SAR called 'Mrs Y'.

Please read the learning briefing and disseminate this within your organisation.

It is vital that practitioners see what we learnt from Mrs Y and can use this learning as they work with adults. The briefing contains links to further training and resources.

[Read the Mrs Y Learning Brief here](#)

Talking to children who have experienced Sexual Abuse



Research and practice show that it can take years for a child to get to the point where they feel able to tell someone about their experiences. It's vital that anyone who works with children knows how to recognise what is happening and understands how to help the child to have that conversation. This guide brings together research, practice guidance to help give professionals the knowledge and confidence to act.

[Download the new guidance here](#)

DWP Updates

The Department for Work and Pensions are a member of the Safeguarding Adults Board. Touchbase newsletter is being produced weekly and is being circulated to subscribers every Friday.

Touchbase provides a roundup of announcements and are useful for organisations and you can subscribe to receive them [Subscribe to Touchbase here](#)

Youth Matters (SAY SENDIAS)

The Youth Matters Newsletter for February has been released and you can have a look at it [HERE](#).

It is aimed at young people under 25 years with SEND (diagnosed or undiagnosed). We now have a CYP participation group who make decisions on what they want in the newsletter. The next CYP participation group meeting date is included in the newsletter.



A series of workshops aimed at professionals who would like to increase their confidence when challenging Honour Based Abuse and Forced Marriage. Workshops in June, September and November.

Book a place [here](#)



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