



# South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter 13

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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## Thirteenth Edition

This Thirteenth edition of the newsletter is a combined newsletter for both the South Gloucestershire Children's Partnership and the Safeguarding Adults Board.

This newsletter replaced the fortnightly board manager bulletin when lockdown began, and we have decided to retain this format of newsletter going forward although the focus on Covid-19 will become less as we begin to move forward towards the new normal.

South Gloucestershire latest information about the support that is available during the Covid period is published online [here](#)

### Parent Guide – sending your child to school during covid

South Gloucestershire Council have produced a handy leaflet to help parents know when they should send their child to school and when to keep them home – you can read this [here](#)

### National Working Group/Marie Collins Foundation Leaflets

New leaflet for parents about Online Sexual Harm is available [here](#)

New Leaflet for professionals is available [here](#)



### Joint Adults Conference

Last week we held our first ever Safeguarding Adults Board Online conference.

Hopefully many of you managed to join some of the sessions.

If you missed any – the sessions were all recorded and will soon be available to view on the board website.

Details of how to access them will be sent to you as soon as they are available.

## JTAI – Joint Targeted Area Inspections - What Do you need to know?

### What is JTAI?

JTAI stands for Joint Targeted Area Inspection and includes inspectors from Ofsted, Care Quality Commission, HMI Constabulary and HMI Probation. There are approximately 10 JTAI inspections a year and they focus on a theme within a local authority and involve all key agencies including the local authority, health providers, police, fire and probation services.

JTAI assess how effectively agencies are working together in their local area to help and protect children. The next theme that begins in September is children living with mental health issues.

### When will JTAI happen in South Gloucestershire?

We don't know. Inspections are unannounced. We know that a JTAI inspections will be restarting - following a break during the covid period. Notifications for a JTAI happen by 9.30am on a Monday.

### What does this mean for me?

If you work with children in South Gloucestershire a JTAI inspection may include you. The lead inspector will use the child-level data provided by the local authority to select children whose experiences inspectors will evaluate. The lead inspector will select between five and seven children and ask the local agencies to jointly evaluate these children's experiences. The HMI Probation lead inspector will ask each of the relevant probation agencies (NPS, CRC and YOT) to share details of cases relevant to the deep dive theme for their inspectors to evaluate.

Most inspection evidence will be gathered by tracking and sampling individual children's experiences and through interviews. Inspections will focus on direct practice by:

- meeting with children, parents and carers
- scrutinising and discussing children's experiences alongside practitioners working with the child
- observing practice in multi-agency meetings
- examining key documents and interviewing staff to understand the support provided by senior officers and the impact of quality assurance
- evaluating the effectiveness of arrangements for safeguarding and protecting children at risk of harm.

### What is happening now in South Gloucestershire?

We are preparing for JTAI by making sure every agency has key people ready to gather data and ready to respond and support you, should we get a call to say an inspection is happening. These people would let you know what is happening and keep you updated through the inspection. There will be regular updates so that we can be as ready as we can for a JTAI

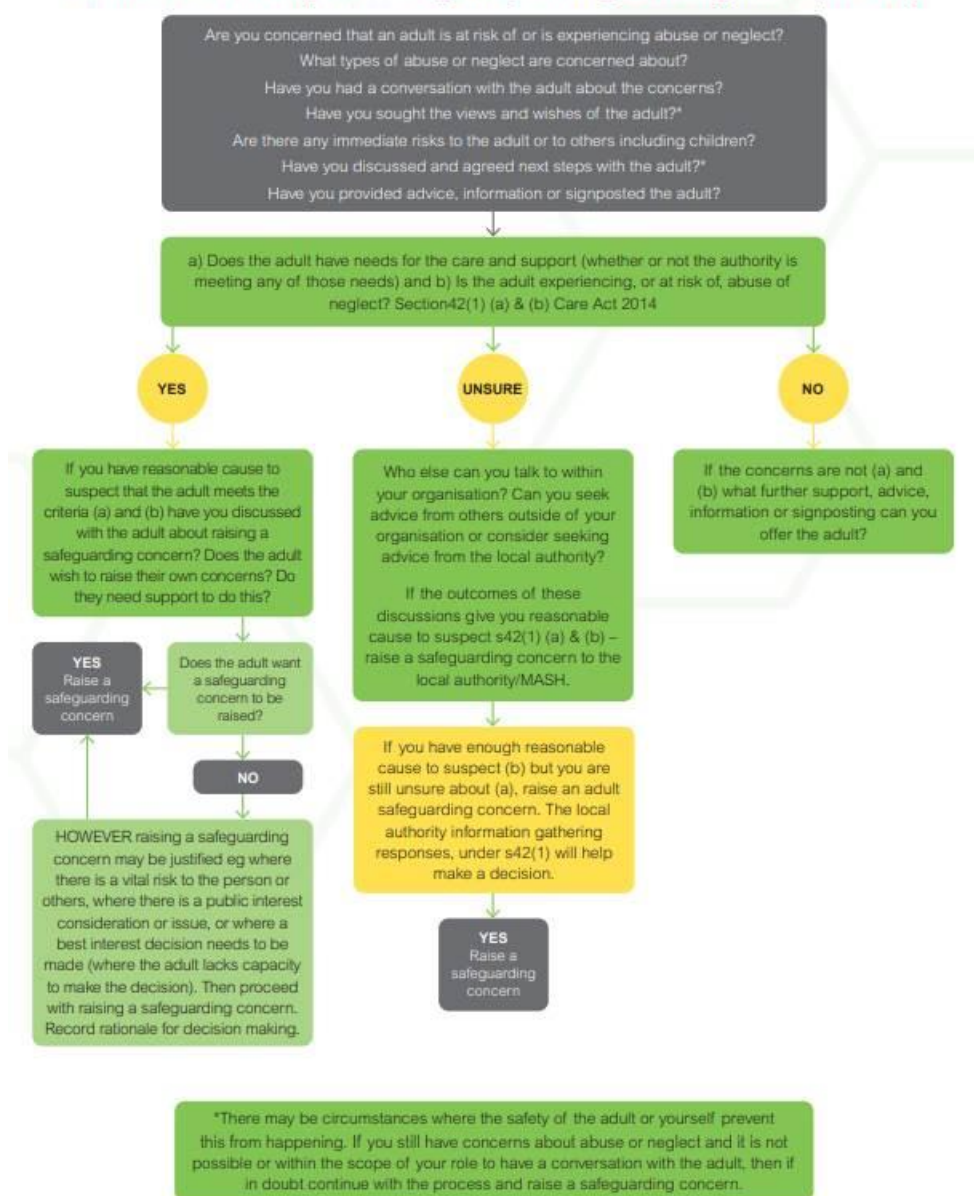
- Local Authority: your contact is [Catherine Boyce](#)
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- Police: your contact is [Michelle Jarrett](#)
- Youth Offending Service: your contact is [Tracy Warburton](#)
- CRC: your contact is [Kate Morrow](#)
- NPS: your contact is [Tom Wellman](#)

## Safeguarding Concerns Framework

A new [Safeguarding Concerns Framework](#) has been produced by the LGA and ADASS to help us to develop a common understanding of the circumstances that should lead to making a safeguarding referral to adult social care, and circumstances where other actions, outside of safeguarding processes, may be required. The framework also sets out a consistent response nationally for adult social care teams when they do receive a safeguarding concern and how that is reported. There is a helpful table on page 7 to guide people about when to make a safeguarding referral, which suggests that referrers need to be confident that the following sections of the Care Act Section 42 criteria are met:

- The person has needs for care and support
- The person is experiencing, or is at risk of abuse or neglect.

### Deciding if you need to raise a safeguarding concern to the local authority/Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)



We will be looking at this framework in depth to see if we can produce local guidance to support people to feel confident about when to make a safeguarding referral and when other actions maybe more appropriate.