

Telford & Wrekin Safeguarding Partnership
Strategic Plan 2021 - 2024 “Keeping people safe in Telford and Wrekin”

TWPS’s role is to:

- Put the person who has been harmed or at risk at the centre of everything that we do and listen to their views about what we can do to improve the safety of people;
- Hold members to account – are we/they doing enough to keep people safe;
- Collect and share information about how well we are keeping people safe and what more we could do;
- Make sure our workers and volunteers get the training they need to provide safe services and share concerns if they think a person is being hurt or abused;
- Review our policies and guidance to make sure we are constantly improving; and
- Raise awareness of safeguarding issues and what to do.

Statutory responsibilities of TWSP include:

- To work together to ensure effective and coordinated services to keep people safe in the Borough;
- Completing Safeguarding Adult Reviews and Safeguarding Practice Reviews when adults or children die or are seriously injured as a result of abuse/neglect;
- Publish a Strategic Plan – what we will achieve; and
- Publish an Annual Report – detailing what we have done to keep people safe.

Principles and Values of the TWSP:

Empowerment – presumption of person led decisions and informed consent.
Prevention – it’s better to take action before harm occurs;
Proportionality – proportionate and least intrusive response appropriate to the risk presented;
Protection – support and representation for those in greatest need;
Partnership – local solutions through services working with their communities. Communities have a part to play in preventing, detecting and reporting abuse and neglect; and
Accountability – accountability and transparency in delivering safeguarding.

Who are the Statutory Safeguarding Partners?

We are Telford & Wrekin Council, Telford & Wrekin NHS Clinical Commissioning Group and West Mercia Police.

Who are the Relevant Agencies that are part of the Safeguarding Partnership?

Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust, Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Hospital Trust, Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, GP, Shropshire Partners In Care, West Mercia National Probation Service, West Mercia & Warwickshire Community Rehabilitation Company, Telford College, Healthwatch, Wrekin Housing Trust, Chief Officer Group, Care Quality Commission, Education Representatives, Probation, West Mercia Youth Justice Team, CAF/CASS, West Midlands Ambulance Service

TWSP Structure

TWSP: Independent Chair: Statutory Safeguarding Partners and Relevant Agencies

**TWSP Executive: Independent Chair, Statutory Partners
 Safeguarding Children Board & Safeguarding Adult Board**

Statutory Review Groups

Safeguarding Adults Review Panel
 Child safeguarding Review Panel

Priority and Thematic Sub Groups

Adult Exploitation
 Child Exploitation
 Domestic Abuse
 Neglect
 Corporate Parenting Strategic Group
 Adult Review, Learning and Training Sub Group
 Child Review Learning and Training Sub Group
 (Child Death Overview Panel Reports to Child RLT)

What we will do during Strategic Plan 2021 - 2024

TWSP Strategic Priorities	Why?	How we will achieve it
1. Sharing and Engaging with the Telford and Wrekin Community	To actively engage people, raise awareness about safeguarding and to inspire people to take action to prevent abuse and neglect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update the TWSP Communication, Engagement and Inclusion Strategy for the Boards • Continue to develop the TWSP website as a resource for partners, practitioners and the public • Continue to engage with partners and the public to understand the ongoing and long term impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on safeguarding for adults and children
2. Implementing Learning from Reviews	To share learning across the partnership following Rapid Reviews, Local Safeguarding Practice Reviews, National Safeguarding Practice Reviews and Safeguarding Adult Reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning briefings published and shared with partners following each review • Identifying common themes and issues across reviews including Safeguarding Adult Reviews, Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews and Domestic Homicide Reviews
3. Further develop policies and procedures	Use technology to enable partners to identify emerging issues and collaborate to develop solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop online forums to enable partners to collaborate and bring issues and solutions to relevant sub-groups and the Executive • Continue to implement an ongoing review process for the current local multi-agency procedures to ensure they are fit for purpose • Work with safeguarding partnerships across the region to develop regional safeguarding procedures where appropriate. • Implement an online platform for safeguarding audits • Establish the Early Help Partnership
4. Ensure appropriate single agency and multi-agency quality assurance processes are in place – “ <i>So what outcomes</i> ”	To enable the Boards to challenge organisations about how they keep people safe and prevent harm/abuse/neglect.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the role of the TWSP Independent Chair • Implement a programme of multi-agency case file audits • Implement a multi-agency performance dashboard to monitor progress against our objectives
5. Effective training	To support practitioners to develop their practice in line with changes in legislation and learning from reviews and audits.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the TWSP Training Policy • Continue to develop Joint Training Strategy • Provide a range on on-line, remote and face to face training opportunities that meets statutory requirements and identified training needs