

1 What is a Safeguarding Partnership?

Each local authority area will have specific safeguarding arrangements in place to ensure that partners are working together to keep children, young people and adults safe. In our area this is known as the Telford and Wrekin Safeguarding Partnership, or TWSP.

2 What do Safeguarding Partnerships do?

The TWSP facilitates safeguarding partners in agreeing ways to co-ordinate their safeguarding services. It acts as a strategic leadership group in supporting and engaging others, and implements local and national learning from serious child safeguarding incidents, Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review (LCSPR) and Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SAR's).

3 Legislation

The Children Act 2004, (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act 2017) required local authorities to set up Local Safeguarding Childrens Boards (LSCB) to allow relevant agencies to work together to safeguard and protect the welfare of children in the area. Following Working Together 2018 the LSCB were replaced with the Safeguarding Partnership.

Similarly for adults, The Care Act 2014 required each local authority to form a Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) with the same purpose of bringing relevant agencies to work together to safeguard adults in its area. These two boards now sit under a wider Safeguarding Partnership umbrella.

4 Who is in the Safeguarding Partnership

TWSP is made up of three statutory partners - namely Telford & Wrekin Council, the NHS is represented by the Telford & Wrekin Integrated Care System (ICS) and West Mercia Police - as well as a wide range of other partners.

Useful websites:

TWSP www.telfordsafeguardingpartnership.org.uk
Family Connect www.familyconnecttelford.co.uk

5 How do the partners work together?

There are regular meetings between partners to drive forward safeguarding activities and allow scrutiny of each other. Some of the boards are listed below:

Safeguarding Childrens Board (SCB)
Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB)
Community Safety Partnership (CSP)
Corporate Parenting Strategic Group (CPSG)
Domestic Abuse Local Partnership Board (DALP)



Telford and Wrekin Safeguarding Partnership (TWSP)

7 What to do if you have a safeguarding concern about an adult or a child.



**Are you worried about someone?
Don't sit in silence!**

Please contact Family Connect on 01952 385385 or in an emergency call 999.

6 What happens if things go wrong?

When a child or adult has been seriously injured or dies, the Safeguarding Partnership ensures that robust independent reviews are undertaken. The reviews do not function to apportion blame but are to improve safeguarding practices. Learning from any review is made public to allow for transparency and change to take place.