



Safeguarding

It is everyone's business

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2007



2011



2012



2006



2000



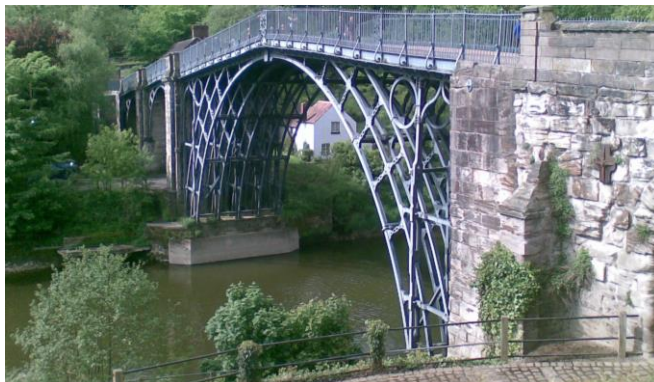
SPEAK OUT AGAINST CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Recognise the signs and speak out **SAY SOMETHING** IF YOU SEE SOMETHING



Contact the Child Safeguarding Team on

0300 126 1000 or Northamptonshire Police 101 or 999 in an emergency
northamptonshirescb.org.uk/cse



The focus of today

- **Understanding the risks affecting adults and children**
- **Recognising need for vigilance and curiosity**
- **Ensuring that everyone knows how to report safeguarding concerns**



Adults at risk

“ Any adult who is vulnerable because of mental disorder, learning difficulties, physical and/or sensory impairment, other impairment or older age and who is unable to care for him or herself or unable to protect him or herself against significant harm or exploitation ”

‘No Secrets’, Department of Health [2000]



Adults at risk

- **Have a need for care and support**
- **Are experiencing (or are at risk of) abuse or neglect**
- **As a result of those care and support needs, they are unable to protect themselves**



Self-neglect

- **Unable or unwilling to provide adequate care for themselves**
- **Unable or unwilling to obtain necessary care to meet their needs**
- **Declining essential support without which their health and safety needs cannot be met**



Adult abuse

“ It may be physical, verbal or psychological, it may be an act of neglect or an omission to act, or it may occur when a vulnerable person is persuaded to enter into a financial or sexual transaction to which he or she has not consented, or cannot consent. Abuse can occur in any relationship ”

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Adult abuse

- **Physical**
- **Sexual**
- **Emotional or psychological**
- **Neglect**
- **Financial or material**
- **Institutional**
- **Discriminatory**



What stops adults from telling us they have been abused?

Child abuse and neglect

- **Maltreatment**
- Can involve inflicting harm or failing to act to prevent harm
- **May be abused in a family, institutional or communal setting**
- Perpetrator may be someone they know or a complete stranger



Child abuse and neglect

- **Physical abuse**
- **Emotional abuse**
- **Sexual abuse**
- **Neglect**
- **Child sexual exploitation**
- **Female genital mutilation**
- **Trafficking and slavery**



Children with disabilities

- **Social isolation**
- **Dependency (help and intimate personal care)**
- **Impaired capacity to resist / avoid abuse**
- **Disclosure may be a lot more difficult**
- **May be more vulnerable to bullying / intimidation**



Child sexual exploitation

From a child's perspective:

“ Someone taking advantage of you sexually, for their own benefit. Through threats, bribes, violence, humiliation, or simply by telling you that they love you, they will have the power to get you to do sexual things for their own, or other people's, benefit or enjoyment ...”



Countywide RISE* Team

- **Specialist multi agency team**
- **Police, Social Services, Health and Support**
- **Co-located with Initial Response Team and Missing Persons Unit**
- **Intelligence Gathering, Safeguarding, Disruption and Prosecution**



* Reducing Incidents of Sexual Exploitation (RISE)

Concerns about the safety or welfare of an adult

- **To raise concerns about an adult, please use the following hyperlink and complete an online referral:**

www3.Northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/adult-social-care/safeguarding



Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child

- For advice on what to do if you have concerns about a child, please use the following hyperlink to connect to the Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children's Board (NSCB) website:

www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk/worried-about-a-child/



Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child

- **If a child is in immediate danger, left alone or missing, contact the Police and/or Ambulance Service on 999**
- **If there is no immediate danger, or you need advice, contact Northants' Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH):
0300 126 1000
E-mail: [MASH @northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@northamptonshire.gcsx.gov.uk)**



Concerns about the safety or welfare of a child

- **If you need to contact Children's Social Care urgently during the evening, at night or at the weekend, you should phone its out-of-hours team on (01604) 626938**
- **An operator will take details of the problem and your contact details, and then pass this information to the duty social worker**

