

**Safeguarding is....
Everybody's Business
"Love your neighbour as yourself"**

Key messages:

- Safeguarding is looking after each other, making sure everyone can thrive. We want to be sure that no one is being harmed by another person.
- If you are worried about a situation report it.
- Not "what if I am wrong", instead "what if I am right"
- Anyone could be abused, by anyone
- Our duty is to report, not investigate
- We also have a duty to make sure that any reports we make are followed up.

Categories of abuse:

Abuse comes in many forms such as:

- Physical
- Sexual
- Psychological / emotional abuse
- Neglect
- Domestic
- Financial
- Discriminatory
- Organisational
- Hate Crimes

Disclosures:

When a disclosure happens we need to listen, without promising confidentiality, remembering to:-

- Receive – listen carefully and actively
- Reassure
- React – do something!
- Record

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