

# SAFEGUARDING IN LAMBETH



If you see something, say something

## What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding is about protecting the health, wellbeing and human rights of individuals. These measures allow children, young people and adults at risk to live free from abuse, harm and neglect.

If you are a professional working in Lambeth, you have a responsibility to ensure those most at risk receive the support they need

## Safeguarding Adults at Risk



An adult at risk is someone with care and support needs who is less able to protect themselves from abuse and neglect. Types of abuse to look out for include domestic abuse, financial abuse, modern slavery, psychological abuse, physical abuse, and neglect.

## Safeguarding Children




If there are children in the home you are visiting, look out for signs of domestic abuse in the home, neglect, exploitation (including grooming or coercion), online abuse, physical abuse or sexual abuse.

## What to look out for



- Unexplained bruising or injuries
- Shouting or verbal abuse where children are in the house
- Person presents as fearful, nervous to speak in front of partner/family members
- Person states someone is offering help for money but no real help being provided (e.g. scamsters)
- Living conditions which present as a fire risk

## Do's and Don'ts

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|  Call the police if person is at immediate risk               |  Confront the abuser                                   |
|  Ask the person if they need help                             |  Ask the person what is going on if they are not alone |
|  Report your concerns even if you're not sure what's going on |  Try to offer solutions                                |

If you see or hear something that worries you, please speak to the safeguarding lead or central point of contact within your designated Hub for further advice.

- To report a concern about an adult at risk go to [www.lambethsab.org.uk](http://www.lambethsab.org.uk)
- To report a concern about a child go to [www.lambethsaferchildren.org.uk](http://www.lambethsaferchildren.org.uk)
- In an emergency, always dial 999

