

Safeguarding Adult Services

Harrow Council and our partners are committed to delivering safe, quality services to everyone we serve and totally condemn any form of abuse.

We do however recognise that abuse of the most vulnerable in our community can happen and that it can occur in any situation, relationship or environment.

Who is a vulnerable adult?

Vulnerable people can be older people, those with a physical or learning disability, mental health problem or anyone unable to protect themselves from harm by others.

What do we mean by abuse?

Abuse is any act, which may lead to significant harm to a vulnerable person's physical, sexual, financial, emotional or social health and wellbeing.

There are many kinds of abuse but examples include:

Physical - assault, slapping, pinching, pushing or restraint

Sexual - sexual assault, rape or any non-consensual sexual act

Financial - theft or misuse of money, benefits, belongings, assets or property

Psychological - insults, shouting, threats or fear of violence or mistreatment

Neglect - not providing basic or agreed help or support with care or treatment

Discriminatory - mistreatment based on race, religion, sex, age or disability

Institutional - abuse or mistreatment in a care, nursing or hospital type setting

What can you do?

We're here to help so if you or someone you know is being abused, hurt or exploited, please call Harrow's Safeguarding Adults Co-ordinator on:

020 8420 9453 during office hours or:

020 8424 0999 at all other times

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