



## How to Report Abuse and Neglect

If you are worried or want to talk to someone about things that have happened to you, contact your Social Worker or your local Social Care Service on:

<b>Hartlepool</b>	<b>01642 284 284</b>
<b>Middlesbrough</b>	<b>01642 726 004</b>
<b>Redcar &amp; Cleveland</b>	<b>01642 771 500</b>
<b>Stockton-on-Tees</b>	<b>01642 527 764</b>
<b>Evenings and Weekends</b>	<b>08702 402 994</b>

You can report serious abuse and neglect to the Police by calling **101** – you must **ONLY ring 999** in an emergency.

# ANNUAL REPORT

Ensuring our safeguarding arrangements act to help and protect adults

**2014 - 15**

Easy Read Version



## What is the Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board?

Stopping abuse is called safeguarding.

We are made up of different organisations including **Councils**, the **NHS** and the **Police**.

Our job is to **work together** to **protect** and **keep adults safe**.

### Our Work in 2014-15

- Changing how we do things because of the Care Act
- Improving ways to report Abuse and Neglect
- Continuing to help and protect people
- Finding out more from you (surveys)

### Care Act 2014

A new Law which will help people in relation to safeguarding.



### Abuse & Neglect



Nearly half (44%) of all safeguarding was linked to Neglect.

Lots of people still suffered from Physical Abuse (22%).

54% of safeguarding was for people aged 75+.

Types of Abuse (2014-15)	Definitions
<b>Physical Abuse (22%)</b>	Including assault, hitting, slapping & pushing
<b>Psychological Abuse (12%)</b>	Including threats of harm, blaming, verbal abuse & on-line bullying
<b>Financial or Material Abuse (16%)</b>	Including theft of money, and other wrongdoing in connection with wills, property or inheritance
<b>Neglect and Acts of Omission(44%)</b>	Including ignoring medical, emotional or physical care needs.

## Help and Support

There are lots of people that can offer **Help and Support** such as:

**Family & Friends**  
**Carers**  
**Social Workers**  
(Councils):



**See the Telephone numbers on the back page.**

This Website also lists support services: [www.cvsd.co.uk](http://www.cvsd.co.uk)

### Safe Place Scheme

Shops, Post Offices etc. that provide a **safe place** to people who need help. **Look for the Logo.**



### Our Planned Work in 2015-16

- Tell more people about Abuse and Neglect
- Talk and Listen to more people who may need help
- Provide more information
- Make it easier to report Abuse & Neglect
- Launch our Website (Jan 2016)
- Help people to protect themselves from Abuse & Neglect

### Get in Touch

We want to hear **your views and wishes**.

Please contact: [tsab.businessunit@stockton.gov.uk](mailto:tsab.businessunit@stockton.gov.uk)



Also see: [www.stockton.gov.uk/adult-services/safeguarding-adults/](http://www.stockton.gov.uk/adult-services/safeguarding-adults/)