Words Explained





Safeguarding concern

A safeguarding concern is when there is a worry that a person might be experiencing abuse or neglect.



Adult at risk

An adult at risk is any person who is aged 18 years old or over, who has care and support needs, and there is a worry that they may be experiencing abuse or neglect.



Strategy Meeting

This is a meeting to talk about the safeguarding concern and plan what need to happen to keep the person safe.



Outcomes

This means what is important to you and what do you want to happen to feel safe and stay safe.



Progress Meeting

These are meetings which happen after the Strategy Meeting. Progress meetings look make sure that the actions have been done.



Multi-Agency Risk Assessment & Management Meetings (MARAM)

These are meetings where professionals from different organisations get together to talk about high risk and complex safeguarding concerns.



Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC)

These are meetings where professionals from different organisations get together to share very important information about high-risk domestic abuse cases.



Section 42 Enquiry

This the name for a formal investigation or enquiry that Warrington Borough Council does when a person with care and support needs is at risk of abuse or is experiencing abuse or neglect and is unable to protect themselves. It is a statutory duty (legal duty) under the Care Act 2014.



Professionals who work with you:

Social Worker

A social worker supports people to help improve their lives and get the help they need. They work for Warrington Borough Council.



Safeguarding Chair

The safeguarding chair is in charge of the meetings and makes sure that organisations work well to protect adults at risk. They make sure that actions happen.



Advocate

An advocate is independent from services and is on your side. They can help you to speak up, understand and be involved in the safeguarding process.