



# Safeguarding Adults Report 2010/11

(April 2010 to March 2011)



This report is about what has happened with keeping people safe ("Safeguarding") from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011 in the Community Learning Disability Social Work & Care Management Team.

## 1. Alerts



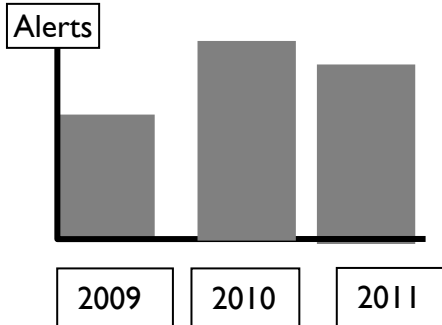
Alerts are when the Care Management Team are told that some one with a learning disability has come to harm – or might have come to harm.



We can investigate and try to help stop harm happening.



From April 2010 to March 2011 we had **270 safeguarding alerts**. **115** of those alerts required investigation.



For the whole of the year before we had **286 alerts**, **186** of which required investigation.

The year before that we had **194 alerts**, **136** of which required investigation.

That means this year we have had 16 fewer alerts than last year but 76 more than the year before.

## 2. Types Of Abuse We Were Alerted About



One single alert can be about lots of different types of abuse.



The biggest type of abuse we had alerts about is physical abuse, when someone may have been hit, punched, pushed, or pulled.

We have had alerts about physical abuse **156** times.



We have had alerts about Emotional/Psychological abuse **94** times.



We have had alerts about Financial/material abuse **44** times.



We have had alerts about Sexual abuse **46** times.



We have had alerts about Neglect **22** times.



We have had alerts about Discriminatory abuse **5** times.



We have had alerts about Institutional Abuse, which means more than one person was affected, **2** times.

### 3. Where Abuse Might Have Happened



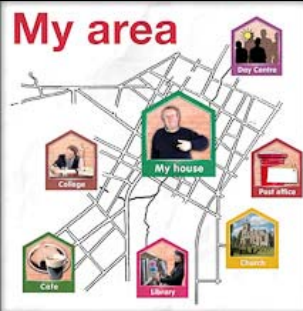
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Each time we get Alert, we keep a list of where the abuse might have happened.

This is the list for 2010/11 so far:



We had **49** alerts about things that happened in a Care Home



Public Place - **31** alerts.



We had **29** alerts about things that happened in Day Services



We had **44** alerts about things that happened in Supported Accommodation Services.



Alleged Perpetrators Home - **9** alerts



Education/Training/Workplace Establishment - **13** alerts



Not Known – **35** alerts



Own Home – **37** alerts



Others (social clubs, hostels, etc) - **23** alerts

## 4. Investigating Alerts:

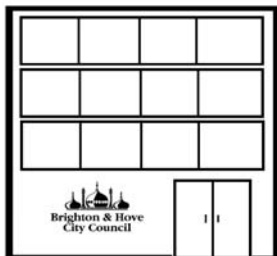
When an alert requires investigation there are **4** levels of investigation we might use.



**Level 1** might be used if, for example, someone with a learning disability is pushed by another person at their service but it hasn't happened before and does not cause a lot of harm or distress.

The manager of the service would probably investigate this and send us a report.

There were **79** Level 1 investigations.



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**Level 2** might be when this incident has happened before. Social Work & Care Management Team would investigate and may look at the person's service package to see if it is still right for them.

There were **12** Level 2 investigations.



**Level 3** might be if the person was badly hurt or the person who harmed them was a member of staff. Social Work & Care Management Team and the Police may investigate.

There were **24** Level 3 Investigations



**Level 4** is like 3 but when a lot of people may have been harmed, by either one person or perhaps because of the way a service provider treats people.

There were no Level 4 investigations.



There were also **155** alerts that were checked by us but did not need to be investigated as the problems raised in the alerts were not safeguarding issues.

## 5. What Our Investigations Discovered- This Is Called The "Outcome"



From our investigations there were **43** times when we thought that abuse probably did happen. This is called "**substantiated**".



There were **4** investigations where the outcome was "**partially substantiated**".



There were **25** times when we thought abuse didn't happen- this is "**not substantiated**".



There were **15** times when we couldn't decide whether or not abuse had happened - this is "**inconclusive/not determined**".



There are **28** investigations that we are still working on - we will decide the outcomes soon.

	<p>The Community Learning Disability Team will do more Safeguarding Investigations.</p> <p>At the end of an Investigation we make sure there is a 'Protection Plan' in place to try to make sure that people with learning disabilities say safer.</p>
	<p>We think that people are more aware of Safeguarding and who to talk to if they need help.</p>
	<p>This means we are hopefully keeping more adults with a learning disability safe.</p>



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