



Safeguarding Adults Report 2010/11 (April to September)



This report is about what has happened with keeping people safe ("Safeguarding") from April 2010 to September 2010 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.

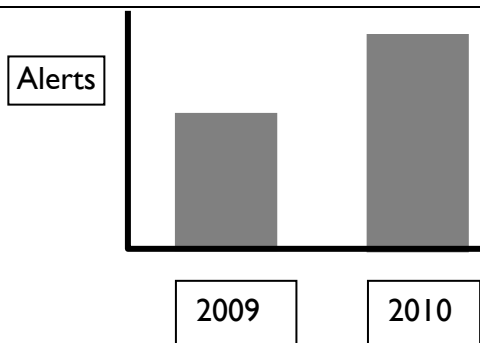


We can investigate and try to help stop harm happening.





From April 2010 to September 2010 we had **144 safeguarding alerts**.



For the whole of last year we had **284 alerts**.

That means if alerts keep happening this year at the same rate they have been, we will end up doing about the same amount as last year.

2. Types Of Abuse



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



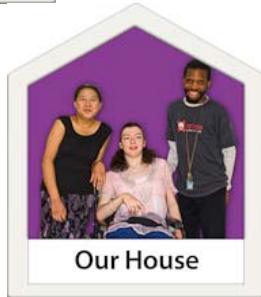
The biggest type of abuse we have investigated is physical abuse, when someone may have been hit, punched, pushed, or pulled.

We have investigated physical abuse **76** times.

	<p>We have investigated Emotional/Psychological abuse 29 times.</p>
	<p>We have investigated Financial/material abuse 15 times.</p>
	<p>We have investigated Sexual abuse 14 times.</p>
	<p>We have investigated Neglect 5 times.</p>
	<p>We have investigated Discriminatory abuse 4 times.</p>
	<p>We have investigated Institutional Abuse, where more than one person is affected, 1 time.</p>

3. Response Levels:

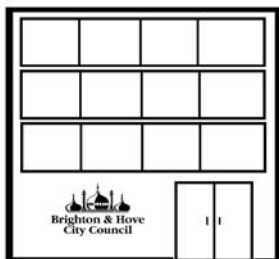
There are **4** levels of response to an investigation.



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 **48** 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 **7** Level 2 investigations.



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

There were **14** 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 was no Level 4 investigation.

4. Where Abuse Happens



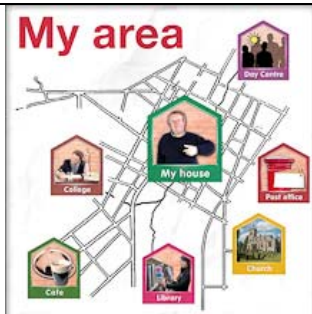
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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 **26** alerts where the abuse reported took place in a Care Home



Public Place - **18** alerts.



We had **17** alerts where the abuse took place in Day Services



We had **22** alerts where abuse took place in a Supported Accommodation Service.



Alleged Perpetrators Home - 4 alerts



Education/Training/Workplace Establishment - 3 alerts



Acute Hospital – 1 alert



Not Known – 9 alerts



Own Home – 18 alerts



Others (, social clubs, hostels) - 9 alerts

5. What happened - this is called the "outcome"



From our investigations there were **22** times when we thought that abuse probably happened - this is called "**substantiated**".



There were **3** alerts where the outcome was "**partially substantiated**".



There were **13** times when we thought abuse didn't happen- this is "**not substantiated**".



There were **29** times when we couldn't decide whether or not abuse had happened - this is "**inconclusive/not determined**".



There were **73** alerts were checked by us but did not need to be investigated as the problems raised in the alerts were not safeguarding issues.



There are **27** investigations since April 2010 that we are still working on - we will decide the outcomes soon.



The Community Learning Disability Team will do more Safeguarding Investigations.



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.



We think that people are more aware of Safeguarding and who to talk to if they need help.



This means we are hopefully keeping more adults with a learning disability safe.



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