

1. Introduction

This Policy and Procedure has been formulated in conjunction with the [North West Policy](#) and agreed by Tameside Adult Safeguarding Partnership Board, all of whom work together to safeguard adults with care and support needs in line with the Care Act.

It represents a commitment to working together to identify and deal with abuse against Adults.

The statutory members of the Board are:

- Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council
- NHS Greater Manchester Integrated Care
- Greater Manchester Police

The procedures outlined aim to ensure that:

- All organisations promote the wellbeing of adults with care and support needs.
- The interests of adults with care and support needs are always respected and upheld.
- The human rights of adults with care and support needs are respected and upheld.
- A proportionate, timely, professional and ethical response is made to any adult with care and support needs who may be experiencing abuse.
- All decisions and actions are taken in line with the Mental Capacity Act (MCA) 2005.

The procedures also aim to ensure that for each adult with care and support needs:

- Their chosen outcomes are at the heart of safeguarding.
- Safeguarding is always more focused on the adult than on processes.
- Their dignity, and respect towards them, is central to all professional practice.