**Complex Safeguarding Workshop**

**Key Messages**

**Tameside Adult Safeguarding Partnership Board Context**

Andrew Searle

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There is a need to understand complex safeguarding in the Adult World and that:-

* Issues increase with vulnerabilities
* exploitation happens at all ages
* Consideration needs to be given to break the cycle
* Professional curiosity is important

6 questions start the conversation in the context of 6 safeguarding Principles:-

* Empowerment
* Prevention
* Protection
* Proportionality
* Partnership
* Accountability

**Complex Safeguarding GM Perspective**

Megan Mayhew, Practice Lead Complex Safeguarding, GM Complex Safeguarding Hub

***7 Principles of Complex Safeguarding underpin the work***

How do these fit with adult safeguarding work and safeguarding Principles…

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| **1. The Young Person is at the centre** |
| **2. Exploitation is complex** |
| **3. Context matters; young people need a holistic approach** |
| **4. No Agency can address exploitation in isolation; collaboration is essential** |
| **5. Knowledge is critical** |
| **6. Communities and families are valuable assets and may also need support** |
| 7. Effective services require resilient practitioners |

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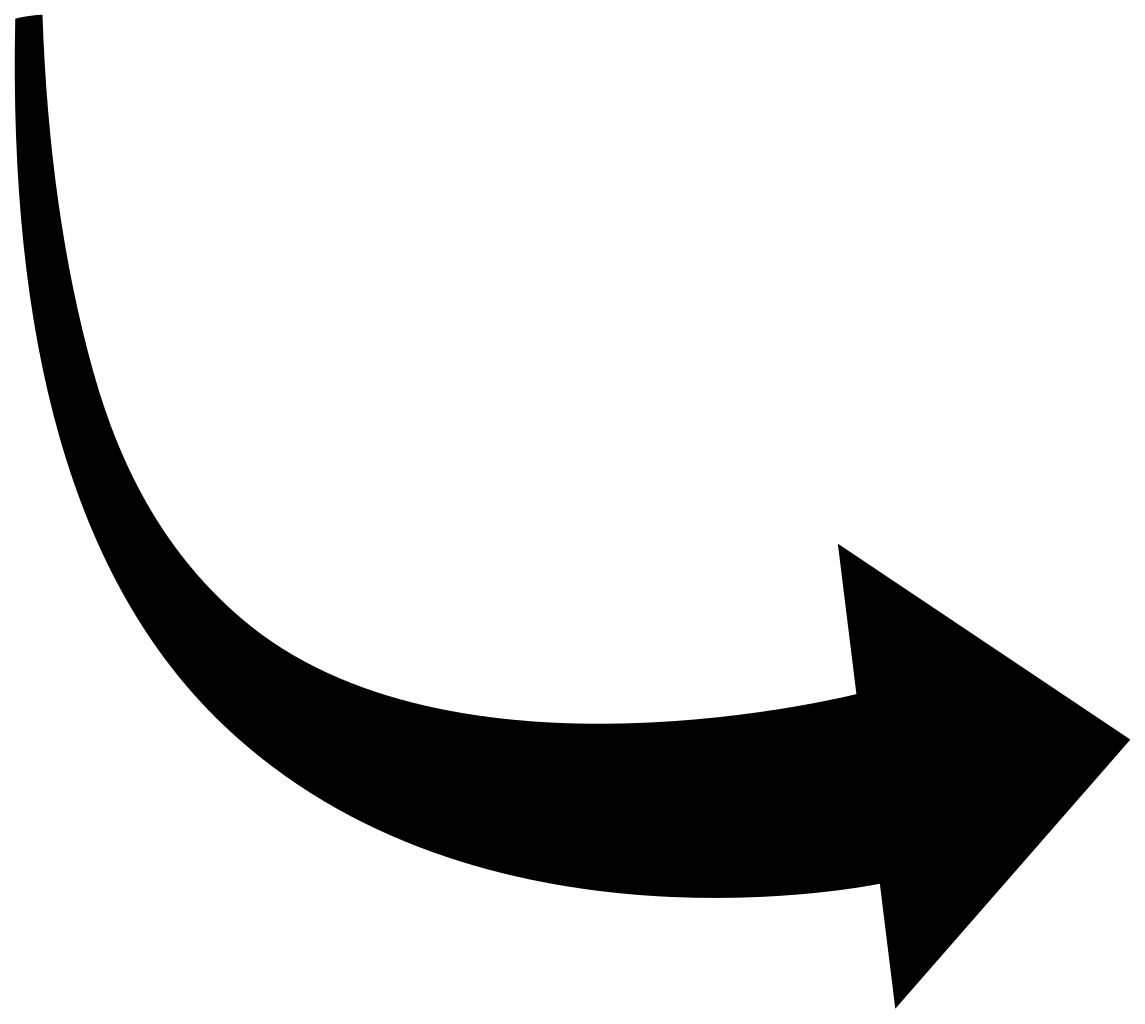
**Relational Model**

Consistent person involved increases the Safety – Bigger worry more involvement – need to reduce this and use professional expertise

**Transition**

Complex safeguarding doesn’t stop at 18 but services do… Local areas are developing their own response….

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What Next… Peer Review pending as designed methodology requires contact. In the interim Audits provide a learning exercise.

Diversity and inclusion – Young people of ethnic minority are under- represented in complex safeguarding – survey being undertaken with staff and consultant to explore the reason why…

Align Adults Making Safeguarding Personal approach with Voice of the Child



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**Tameside Children Services Perspective**

Lynette Morgan Service Unit Manager,

Children Services

**Complex**

Complex Safeguarding is used to describe criminal activity (often organised) or behaviour associated to criminality, involving often vulnerable children where there is exploitation and/or a clear or implied safeguarding concern.

**Contextual**

is an approach to understanding, and responding to, young people’s experiences of significant harm, beyond their families.

**Transitional**

Adolescents to adulthood

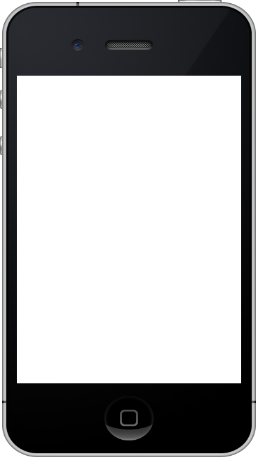


**Are the young adults overwhelmed with the number of Practitioners involved?**





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Increased use of technology increases risk of exploitation

Limited services to respond to criminal exploitation ….what works for some doesn’t always work for others

**Making Safeguarding Personal is at the heart of Adult Safeguarding**

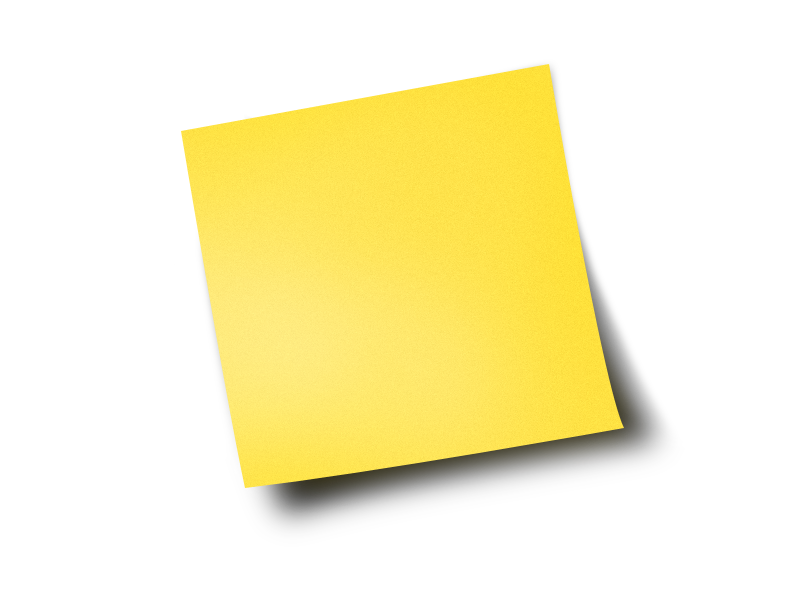
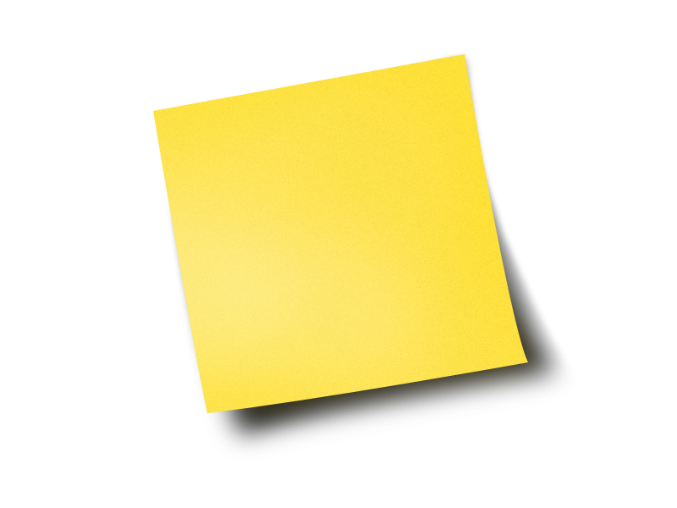
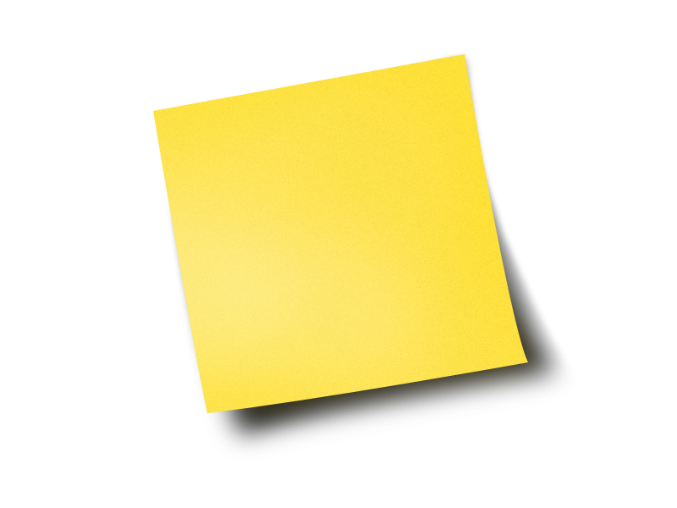
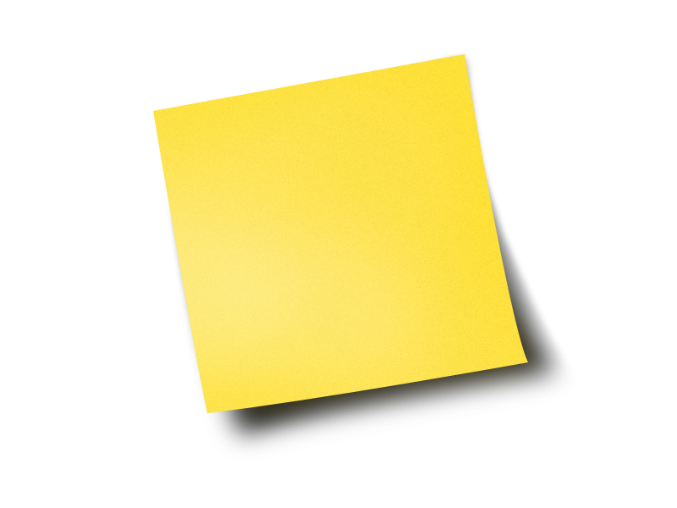
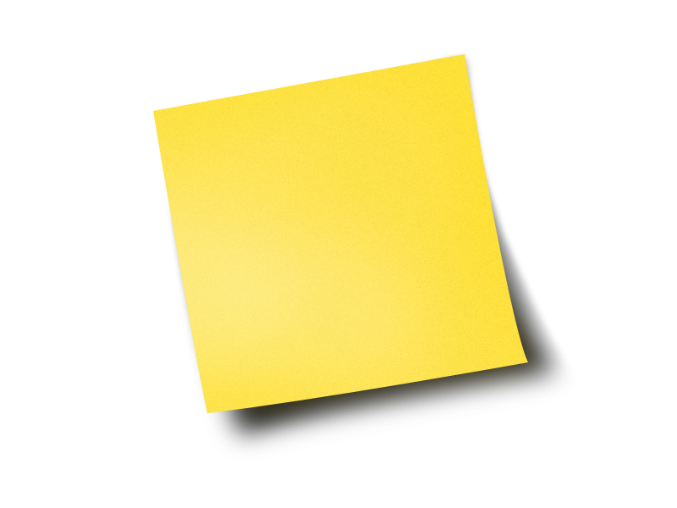
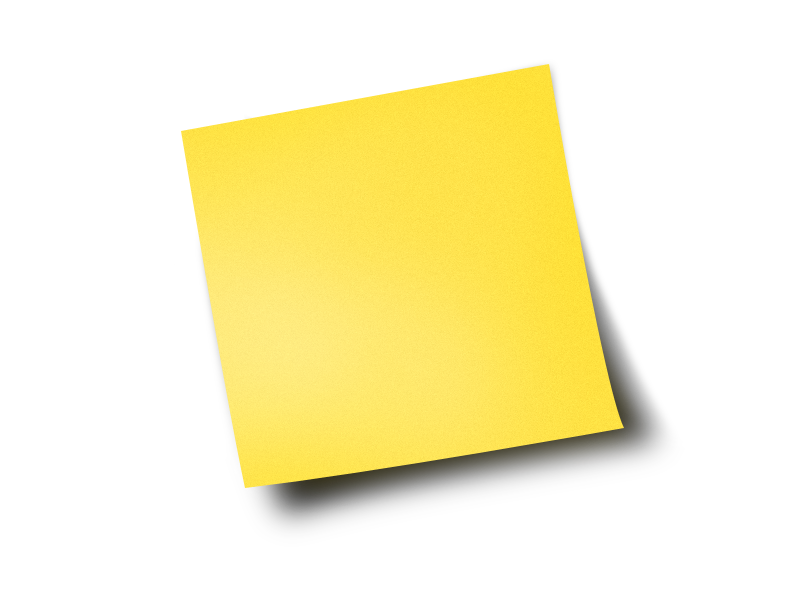
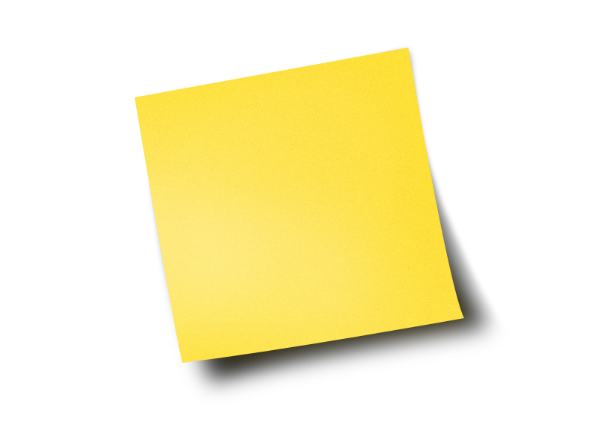
**Tameside Adult Social Care Perspective**

Anna Jenkins, Principal Social Worker, Adult Services

Complex Safeguarding Adults in ASC reflects the risks described in Children*. In addition Adult Social Care are familiar with Cuckooing and Mate Crime….*

Question…..is the door closed too soon when people won’t engage?

Community can play a part in identifying risk…

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**What are our existing strengths and resources …**

* **Good partnerships**
* **Multi-agency risk management tool – to capture transition and the team around the adult approach**
* **Learn from other Local Authorities – Best Practice models**
* **Include Voice of the community to co-design development**
* **Review of Transition should inform the work**
* **Pool resources**

**MH Criminal Justice Social Worker would be a good resource**

**Develop interactive training**

**An awareness across community re. referral process to consider (capacity)**

Need to strengthen the work with Police …lost since PPIU disbanded

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**Opportunity for transition support to provide early preventative work to build resilience in a young person to enable them to meet their full potential in achieving aspirations**

**Next Steps …. What do we have and what do we need to develop?**

**Trauma informed care practice wider than mental health and there is a need to review training and awareness for whole workforce**

Peer Coaching Model to be considered – Maslow’s hierarchy of need ….Living well designed to fill the gap between primary and secondary services.