

Strategic Partnership Boards

SAFETY SAFEGUARDING WELLBEING

Spotlight on...

Adolescents Safeguarding

'Adolescents Safeguarding' is a cross-cutting priority for the Waltham Forest Safeguarding Children Board and is of interest to all the Strategic Boards (Health & Wellbeing Board, Safeguarding Adults Board and SafetyNet). Our ambition is for all adolescents who experience risk to receive a contextualised safeguarding approach that meets their needs and reduces harms.

Have you seen the Safeguarding Adolescents Practice Guide?



This resource aims to equip professionals and volunteers in Waltham Forest with ways of working with adolescents that will improve the response to children aged between 10-18 who experience risk or harm. It also aims to remind practitioners that adolescence is a complicated phase of development for both the adolescent and the care givers (e.g. parents) and to understand the vulnerability they are exposed to. The approaches in this guide deal with both support and enforcement methods, as different combinations of these elements are required at different times. Click on the image above or visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/strategicpartnerships to view the guide. See the training session below and look out for more sessions.



! What is a contextualised safeguarding approach?

It's about understanding that the risks and harm that adolescents experience is likely to extend beyond their family and home. It recognises that the relationships adolescents form in neighbourhoods, schools and online can feature violence and abuse and that parents may have little influence over this.



Training

Understanding Safeguarding and Prevent

This free course has been designed to help practitioners to further develop their understanding of the Prevent Strategy and also look at how online material may be used in radicalisation. It is aimed at professionals who have a safeguarding responsibility as part of their role. The course carries a level 1 accreditation and is being delivered through the Waltham Forest Adult Learning Service.

When: Wednesday 10 October 2018, 09.30am – 5.30pm

Where: Queen's Road Learning Centre, Walthamstow

When: Monday 19 November 2018, 9.30am – 5.30pm

Where: The Junction Learning Centre, Leytonstone

For more information about this and other courses call 020 8496 2974, visit www.lbwfadultlearning.co.uk or email adult.learning@walthamforest.gov.uk

Adolescents Safeguarding

When: Thursday 15 November 2018, 09.30am – 12.30pm

Where: Walthamstow Town Hall

Aim: To comprehend the core purpose of the safeguarding adolescents practice guide and to apply the learning in your setting or organisation.

Click [here](#) to book your place on Eventbrite



World Mental Health Day takes place on **Wednesday 10 October 2018**

Sometimes we say we're fine when we're not and with 1 in 4 people experiencing a mental health problem, if a friend or colleague says they're fine – they might not be. To really find out, ask twice. Check out the 'Time to Change' campaign – [Ask Twice](#).