

Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults Board

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Our Year 2025-2026

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Who are we?

We are Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults Board. We help **organisations** in Warwickshire to work well together to help people with care and support needs stay safe from abuse and neglect.



We aim to:

- Help people learn about keeping safe and how to get help.
- Make sure that people work together to keep adults safe.
- Listen to people and help them make choices about their own lives.

About this report

This report tells you about the work of Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults Board between April 2025 and March 2026.

How we work

We work with:

- Warwickshire Police
- Health services
- Warwickshire County Council and district and borough councils
- And lots of community and charity groups

These **organisations** are our **partners**.

We have small groups of **partners** who meet to make these things better:

Reviews – looking back at cases to learn from them.



The quality of our work and the results we achieve.



Sharing information and getting people involved.



Homelessness and rough sleeping.



We also have an independent chair who leads us. She checks that the board and its **partners** are working well together.



Who did we help in 2025-26?

Abuse and **neglect** can affect anyone. Last year there were **safeguarding** concerns around people of all ages and people from different ethnic backgrounds.

There are slightly more females than males involved in **safeguarding** concerns.



Female: 57% Male: 43%

Most often risks come from **someone the adult knows** (85%).
Other risks make up the rest.



The most common forms of **abuse** last year were:

- **self-neglect** (31%)
- **financial abuse** (20%)
- **psychological abuse** (11%)
- **other forms of abuse or neglect** made up the rest of concerns.



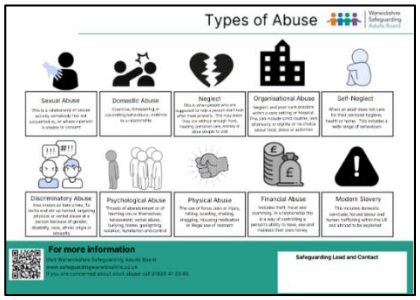
Most risks to people took place in their own home (73%).
Other places make up the rest.



What did we do this year?

Raised awareness

- Safeguarding Adults Week: we trained over 100 people on **safeguarding** older people.
- We made posters and leaflets for people to learn about **safeguarding**, **abuse** and **neglect**.
- We put messages on social media. We also put adverts on buses and medicine bags.



Worked together

- We did an **audit** to check that **partners** follow **safeguarding** laws.
- We visited **partners** and looked at how they work. We saw lots of good work and had some ideas to make things better.
- We started a group to help people who are homeless. This is important because people sleeping rough on the streets are not safe.



Shared learning

- We made new training briefings. One of these was on how some people find it hard to plan, organise, and do everyday tasks
- We shared a new 'Think Family Protocol.' This makes sure that adults and children are safe as part of the whole family.



What did our partners do this year?

Warwickshire Police

- Developed a process for adults with injuries that might have been caused by **abuse**.
- Looked at how to help remove barriers to people getting help.



Warwickshire County Council, Adult Social Care and Support

- Did **audits** which showed good support, good decisions, and people being involved in choices about their safety.
- Were visited by The Care Quality Commission who rated **safeguarding** as 'Good.' They also rated learning as 'Outstanding.'



Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care Board (a health service)

- Took part in **safeguarding** reviews and **audits** to keep improving **safeguarding** practice in health services.
- Shared **safeguarding** learning from reviews and trained staff such as doctors.

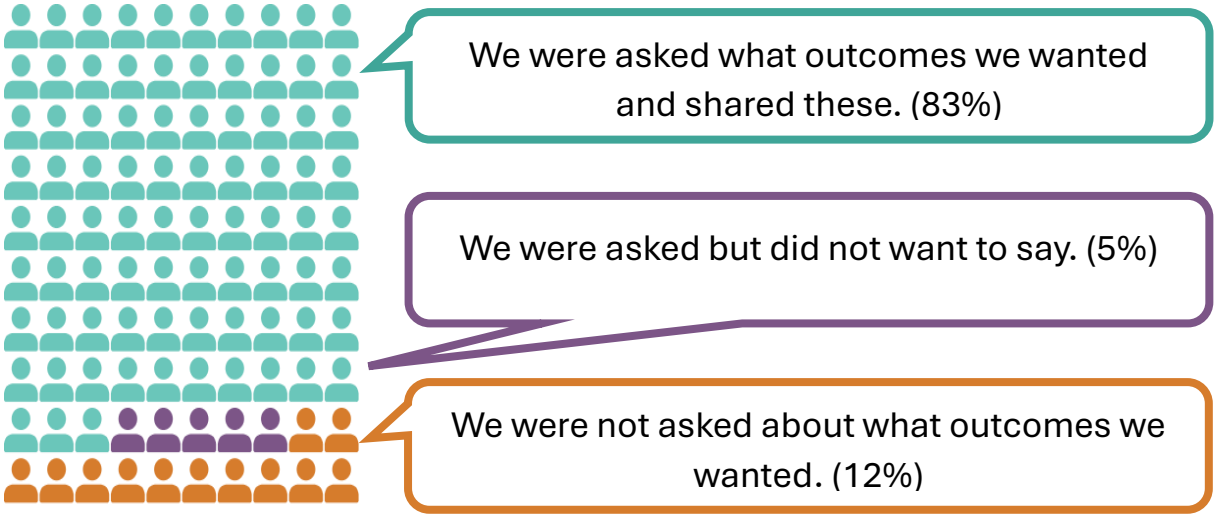


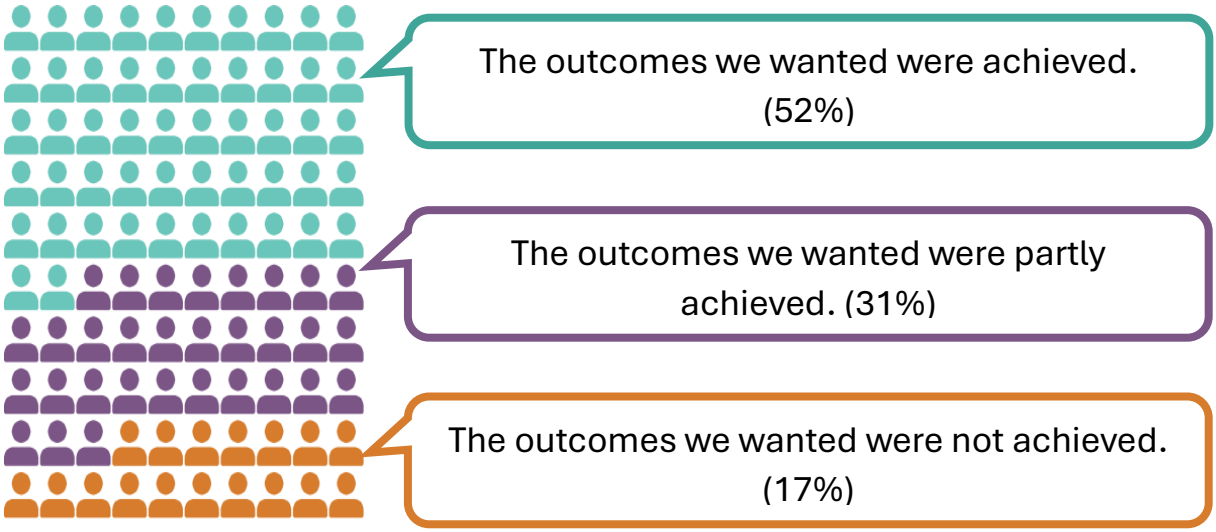
Making Safeguarding Personal

We listen to people.

Making safeguarding personal is all about asking, 'What matters to you?' People helped decide what support they wanted.

Most people were asked what outcomes they wanted from **safeguarding** helping them.





Advocacy

Advocacy helps people speak up.

An advocate is a person who can help others:

- say what matters to them
- make choices
- get information and services

225 people received **advocacy** support during the year 2025-26.

A person told their advocate, “You did well in the meeting. You were very calm and brought up my points clearly. Thank you for your support.”

A person emailed their MP to say, “I no longer need you. My advocate has helped me understand everything to do with my social care.”



What will we do next?

We will keep on working towards our three important aims to:

- Help people learn about keeping safe and how to get help.
- Make sure that people work together to keep adults safe.
- Listen to people and help them make choices about their own lives.

There are also lots of changes coming up. We will help our **partners** to safeguard people through these changes:



Key words explained

These are some of the key words we use in this report and what they mean:

Abuse – When someone hurts, harms, or treats a person badly.



Advocacy – Support from someone who helps a person understand their choices and speak up about what they want.



Audit – A check to make sure things are being done properly and safely.



Financial (abuse) – When someone takes a person's money or things, or stops them using their own money.



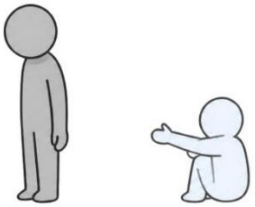
Integrated Care Board (ICB) – A health organisation that plans and funds healthcare in an area.



Making Safeguarding Personal – Putting the person at the centre of safeguarding and asking what matters to them.



Neglect – When a person does not get the care, help, or support they need.



Organisation – A group of people who work together to do a job or provide a service.



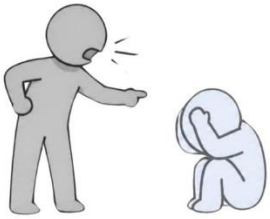
Partner – An organisation that works together with us to help people.



Protocol – A guide that tells us what to do.



Psychological (abuse) – When someone is unkind and makes a person feel frightened or sad.



Safeguarding – Helping people stay safe from abuse, neglect, and harm.



Self-neglect – Not looking after your own health, safety, or home. This can make you unwell or unsafe.



WSAB (Warwickshire Safeguarding Adults Board) – A group of organisations that work together to help adults stay safe in Warwickshire.

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