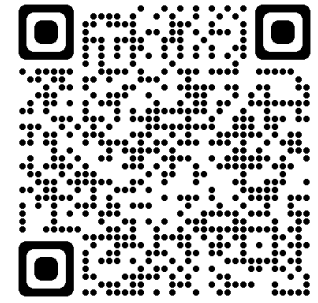


News & Information from the Partnerships, Partners and beyond...



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If you want to find out more about us, access our local safeguarding procedures and guidance, training and much more please visit our website by clicking on this [link](#) or scan the QR code above.

You can contact us via email: safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk

Follow us on:



Welcome to our new look newsletter

We hope you like our new look. The content will now focus on local safeguarding and community safety partnership news and updates and some national news which may be of interest.

Navigation: Click on the hyperlinks below to go to the specific section:

- [SSP/CSP Training 2023-2024](#)
- **Other Learning Resources/Briefings:** [7 minute and Practice Briefs](#) and [Video Archive](#) – *no new resources added.*
- [Other Training Opportunities/resources](#)
- [SSP/CSP Policies and Procedures](#) – no new documents added
- [Local News and Updates](#) – **includes an update on Adult MASH**
- [National Items of Interest](#) including [NSPCC Learning](#)
- [Sign up for newsletters](#)

Do you have information to share? Please send any information for inclusion within the newsletter to:
safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk

What do you think of the new format? Please give us your feedback by clicking on this [link](#) or scanning the QR code below. It will only take a minute.



SSP/CSP Multi-Agency Training Offer 2023-24

We offer a wide range of resources to support learning and professional development.

At the time of publishing spaces are available on the courses below - click on the hyperlinks for further information or to book a place.

It is recommended to book early as some places are limited.

- ✓ **Keeping Safe Online and Cyber Exploitation: 28th February 2024**
[Keeping safe online and cyber exploitation - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#) **This is linked to our February Safeguarding Theme** (see *local news and updates section to find out more*)
- ✓ **Swindon Domestic Abuse Forum: 1st March 2024** [Swindon Domestic Abuse Forum - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#)
- ✓ **Spotlight on child neglect: 12th March 2024:** [Spotlight on child neglect - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#)

See the next two slides for two further local learning events for professionals.

Please note: we are in the process of preparing the 2024-25 training offer and will publish new date when they have been confirmed.



Swindon Learning Event

Swindon Safeguarding Partnership & Children Services, Working Together Learning Event

We will be hosting a free event on:

Date: Wednesday 31st January 2024

Time: 09:30 am - 13:00 pm

Venue: Steam Museum, Firefly Avenue, Swindon. SN2 2EY.

To book a place please click on this link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/6nyZhb6MR7> or use the QR code below.



This event is open to everyone from across the Swindon Safeguarding Partnership.

It will be relevant for all professionals and managers working in Swindon, who help, protect and promote the welfare of children.

This Government recently published the updated Working Together Guidance 2023.

This event is an opportunity to find out more about:

- ✓ The key points from Working Together 2023 and what this means for professionals in Swindon.
- ✓ Multi-agency partnership arrangements and headlines
- ✓ Updates on local resources and changes to support safeguarding children.

Swindon Safeguarding Partnership & Children Services, Working Together Learning Event:

31st January 2024 – 09:30 – 13:00

Face to Face @ Steam Museum

For further information or to book a place click on the link below link to access the flyer.

[SSP Working Together event - 31 January 2024 leaflet - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#)



Swindon Learning Event



SAFEGUARDING UNBORN | BABIES AND UNDER 1S VIRTUAL SUMMIT

MARCH 4TH 2024

THE DAY WILL AIM TO:

- Develop professional curiosity when working with families and parents
- Improve practice in hearing the voice of the child and unborn babies and understanding their lived experience
- Improve understanding of the importance of early attachment interaction
- Improve how we work with and engage fathers
- Understand the causational risk of traumatic head injury and a system approach to early intervention
- Promote safer sleep

**Save the date!
4th March 2024**

**Safeguarding unborn babies and
under 1's Virtual Summit**

Further information and how to book to
be provided in due course.



Other Learning Resources:

7 Minute Briefs and Practice Briefs



To access the full directory, click on this link: [7-minute briefs and learning resources to improve practice - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#) or scan the QR code above.

No new resources published this month but please do visit the webpage to see the briefs we have available.

Please give us your views on the resources, there is a link and QR code at the end of each brief.

It will only take a couple of minutes.



Other Learning Resources: Video Archive

We have a selection of recorded webinars covering a range of topics.

We continually add new recordings so please visit the [webpage](#) or scan the QR code to access.

Learning from case reviews and audits - Vulnerability of under 1s	✓
Child neglect and graded care profile 2	✓
Learning themes from safeguarding adult reviews and audits	✓
Adolescent safeguarding learning event	✓
Swindon domestic abuse forum	✓
Domestic abuse in tech-society	✓
Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)	✓
SSP Conference	✓
Responding to and supporting victims of Hate Crime	✓
Serious and organised crime	✓
Spotlight on self-neglect and hoarding	✓
The Right Help at The Right Time threshold guidance and front door services	✓
Remembering Arthur and Star - recorded presentation	✓
Introduction to Wiltshire Police Counter Corruption Unit	✓
Swindon Domestic Abuse Forum	✓



Other Training Opportunities/Resources

The Children's Society

- ✓ **#LookCloser Programme of Learning** events for February and March 2024. These are free of charge - for further information visit the website [#LookCloser To Spot Exploitation | The Children's Society \(childrenssociety.org.uk\)](https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/look-closer)
- ✓ **#LookCloser campaign week of action** starts **Monday 4 March 2024** and spotlights Financial Exploitation and what this means for young people.
- ✓ **Resources:** [National Exploitation Resources by The... – Flipsnack](#)

Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse:

- ✓ Interactive online resource to guide professionals through how they can protect and support children and their families when there are concerns of sexual abuse. [Child Sexual Abuse Response Pathway | CSA Centre](#)
- ✓ [Research & Resources | CSA Centre](#)
- ✓ Free events covering a range of themes [Events | CSA Centre](#)



SSP/CSP Policies and Procedures

No new documents published this month.



Local News and Updates

SSP Monthly Safeguarding Themes

- Each month, we will be raising awareness about a safeguarding theme linked to our local priorities and where appropriate national campaigns.
- We will highlight information and signpost to local and national resources.
- Further information can be found on the SSP website [Events - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#) or use the QR code below.
- If you would like to be involved or to include some information/resources, please contact us via [email](#).

Other themes for 2024 are:

Month	Theme
January	Keep Warm – Stay Safe
February	Online Safety (relevant to children and adults)
March	Vulnerability of under 2's
April	Exploitation – Adults and Children
May	Mental Health Awareness
June	Child Neglect
July	Self-Neglect
August	Think Family
September	Prevent
October	Child Sexual Abuse
November	Safeguarding Week - Children and Adults
December	Domestic Abuse – Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)



Local News and Updates – Contact Swindon

Launched on 8th January 2024 - A new front door for children's Social Care that will transform support for families

- ✓ Available for families, residents and professionals across the borough.
- ✓ Provides a single point of contact to request help and support for families or report safeguarding concerns for a child.
- ✓ Part of wider improvement work and developed to ensure that families and children get the right help, at the right time, from the most appropriate teams.
- ✓ Will deliver improved targeted support and safeguarding decisions for children, young people and families, and closer partnership working to achieve its vision of supporting children/young people to grow and flourish within their families, where it is safe to do so.

Anyone who has a concern about a child, or wants to request help from the service, should:

- ✓ **Call 01793 464646** (existing telephone number/email will be automatically forwarded for a period of time to ensure no contacts are missed).
- ✓ **Email** contactswindon@swindon.gov.uk
- ✓ **Use the** [*Request for Help & Support Form*](#),

For further information visit the SSP website [Request for help and support guidelines and contact information - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#) or click on the QR code below.

There are also some FAQ's [SBC - Contact Swindon FAQs - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership](#)



Local News and Updates

✓ NSPCC Schools Service are currently recruiting new volunteers to help deliver [Speak out, Stay safe](#) workshops in local schools. To find out more scan the QR code on the graphic or contact Sarah Smith via email Sarah.Smith@NSPCC.org.uk

✓ **Anti-Social Behaviour Survey:** [Swindon Community Safety Partnership](#) (CSP) are seeking feedback from members of the public on their experiences of anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the communities of Swindon. ASB takes many forms, essentially, it's behaviour that causes alarm, harassment or distress to an individual. Your views will help shape the focus over the coming months and years. Click on this link to give your views: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/SwindonAnti-SocialBehaviourSurvey/>

NSPCC
Volunteer and help children

Do you have a few hours a month to volunteer?

To find out more about volunteering for the Schools Service scan the QR Code or contact sarah.smith@nspcc.org.uk



The graphic features the NSPCC logo at the top left. Below it, the text 'Volunteer and help children' is written in a bold, green font. A smaller question asks 'Do you have a few hours a month to volunteer?'. Below this, a light blue box contains the text 'To find out more about volunteering for the Schools Service scan the QR Code or contact sarah.smith@nspcc.org.uk'. To the right of the text is a QR code. Further right is a small photograph of Sarah Smith, a woman with glasses wearing a green jacket, smiling. The background of the graphic shows a classroom setting with children and a teacher.





Amber Webster



Sheila Norty

Adult Social Care Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) updates

National Items of Interest

- ✓ [Domestic abuse between older couples: key tips at a glance - Community Care](#) – a Community Care account is required to access some of the resources.
- ✓ The Domestic Abuse Commissioner commissioned researchers to conduct analysis of Domestic Homicide Reviews in relation to the following themes:
 - ✓ **Criminal Justice:** Briefing Paper [here](#). Summary of findings report [here](#).
 - ✓ **Physical and Mental Health Services** – Briefing Paper [here](#). Summary of findings report [here](#).
 - ✓ **Children’s Services:** Briefing paper [here](#). Summary of findings report [here](#).
 - ✓ **Adult Social Care:** Briefing paper [here](#). Summary of findings report [here](#).
- ✓ [Domestic violence and abuse: help from DWP - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- ✓ [Help available from the Department for Work and Pensions for people who are victims of domestic violence and abuse - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- ✓ Surviving Economic Abuse: new Banking Support Directory available online [here](#)
- ✓ VictimFocus website launched [About \(victimfocus.com\)](#) includes collection of trauma-informed resources from workbooks to educational guides on a variety of subjects.



National Items of Interest

- ✓ Working Together to Safeguard Children (2023) published:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children--2>
- ✓ [Working together to safeguard children 2023: summary of changes](#)
- ✓ [The Care Act 2014 and unpaid carers: A handy summary | Local Government Association](#)
- ✓ [Learning from Lives and Deaths - people with a learning disability and autistic people \(LeDeR\) - King's College London \(kcl.ac.uk\)](#)
- ✓ [LeDeR - Action from learning reports](#)
- ✓ [“No Wrong Doors” for Young Carers – A review and refresh - Carers Trust](#)



National Items of Interest

- ✓ **Learning:** [Parents with substance use problems: learning from case reviews](#)
- ✓ **Strategy** [Championing kinship care: national kinship care strategy](#)
- ✓ **Report:** Home Affairs Committee - explores the trafficking of children into the UK - [Human trafficking](#)
- ✓ **Report:** [VKPP launch National analysis of police-recorded child sexual abuse and exploitation \(CSAE\) crimes report 2022](#)
- ✓ **Report:** [Talk trust empower: child sexual abuse research report](#)
- ✓ **Guidance:** [Improving the mental health of babies, children and young people](#)
- ✓ **News story:** [106% increase in child cruelty and neglect offences in England in the past 5 years](#)
- ✓ **Webinar:** [Stress and mental health presentations in secondary school-aged young people – recording](#)
- ✓ **Report:** [Staying connected project: care-experienced children and young people with a sibling in prison or secure accommodation](#)
- ✓ **Childline's Report Remove tool:** [Report Remove](#)
- ✓ **Report:** [Child poverty in the midst of wealth](#)
- ✓ **New NSPCC webpage:** [Online safety](#)
- ✓ **News story:** [Over 827,000 children estimated to have experienced domestic abuse this year, with concerns of increase at Christmas underscoring urgent need for stronger support](#)

Sign up for newsletters

Below are some links if you wish to sign up to mailing lists:

- ✓ Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse [Home - CSA Centre](#)
- ✓ NSPCC [CASPAR | NSPCC Learning](#)
- ✓ NSPCC [Case reviews update | NSPCC Learning](#)
- ✓ Social Care Institute for Excellence [Social Care Institute for Excellence \(SCIE\)](#)
- ✓ Child Accident Prevention Trust [Sign up to stay up-to-date | Child Accident Prevention Trust \(capt.org.uk\)](#)
- ✓ Ann craft trust [Sign Up for Safeguarding Updates - Ann Craft Trust](#)
- ✓ Safe Spaces Newsletter www.safespacesenglandandwales.org.uk
- ✓ VictimFocus Newsletter [Get the latest from VictimFocus \(confirmsubscription.com\)](#)



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