



Don't let somebody vulnerable be abused



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**Adult Abuse
Speak up
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Buckinghamshire Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Partnership



*... and YOU
because safeguarding is
everybody's business*



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Don't be abused!

Do you know your rights?

Do you understand how you have the right to be treated?

Do you know how to protect yourself from abuse?

Do you know how to protect your loved ones from abuse?

Do you know how to decide if a risk is worth taking?

**Do YOU know where in your community
you could find answers to these questions?**

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What is CARELINE?

- Careline is the number to call if you are concerned about a vulnerable person.
- Call 999 if the person is at immediate danger
- Call Careline 0800 137915 to report your concerns
- According to the nature of your concern Careline will pass the information on to the best people to deal with it.

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Where does it happen?

In Buckinghamshire there were 1050 referrals that came to the safeguarding team.
(April 2010-March 2011):

- 318 referrals were received about **physical abuse**
- 74 referrals were received about **sexual abuse**
- 178 referrals were received about **financial abuse**
- 216 referrals were received about **psychological abuse**
- 188 referrals were received about **neglect**
- 71 referrals were received about **institutional abuse**
- 5 referrals were received about **discriminatory abuse**

IN YOUR AREA

23 referrals were made in this period: Buckingham North 8 Buckingham South 4 Luffield
Abbey 3 Marsh Gibbon 1 Steeple Claydon 4 Tingewick 7

Abuse is happening here!
And these are only the ones people told us about!

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Change it

- Safeguarding vulnerable people is everybody's business
- Don't leave it to others, they might be leaving it to you

It **is** your business!

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Change this!

Neglect is degrading,
undignified and can
endanger life.

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Prevent this!

Financial abuse
can lead to
deprivation,
humiliation and
starvation

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How?

- Tell the police if you think a crime has been committed
- Tell Careline **0800 137915** if you become concerned about someone
- Tell your managers if you work with vulnerable people and are worried
- Tell someone you trust if you are being abused

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Stop this!

Physical abuse causes injury, fear, intimidation and sometimes death

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Get involved!

Do you want to be part of helping people in your community to be safe and have better lives?

Do you have any ideas how we might do this?

Do you or any organisation you are part of feel they would like to play a role in this campaign?

Do you have time you could contribute?

If so contact: bsvab@buckscc.gov.uk

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