

Safeguarding Adults Week 2026 Learning Events

Join Wigan Safeguarding Adults Board and Partners for a week of
FREE learning and reflection from
Monday 16 - Friday 20 November 2026

Whether you work in health, social care, housing, policing,
the voluntary sector or community services,
Safeguarding Adults Week provides an opportunity to strengthen your
knowledge, share learning, and be inspired by local and national voices.

Every Voice. Every Choice.

Monday 16 November

**9.30am-12.30pm | Opening Event for Safeguarding Adults Week 2026 |
Face to Face at St. Peter's Pavillion, Hindley**

This inspiring launch event will highlight the importance of Making
Safeguarding Personal by promoting choice, independence and
empowerment. Hear from influential guest speakers, including Leanne
Lucas from the Let's Be Blunt Campaign, alongside powerful lived
experience stories and discussions led by people who access local services.

*Please note that there will be discussions around different types of abuse, which
impact on children and adults; including, sexual abuse, physical abuse, domestic
abuse and knife crime.*

Refreshments and breakfast pastries are available on arrival from 9:30am-

Booking is essential.

Book your place below ...limited places available!

[Book Your Place Here](#)

More Learning Opportunities are detailed below ...

All of the FREE sessions below are delivered virtually via MS Teams Please use the Eventbrite booking link to secure your place.		
Monday 16 November		
2pm-3pm Elder Abuse	Wigan Borough Domestic Abuse Service will lead this session and explore how domestic abuse can be experienced by all ages with focus on elder abuse, challenges faced by this demographic and best practice in safeguarding.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
Tuesday 17 November		
10am-11am The Silent Voice (DAPOs & ELP)	Greater Manchester Police (GMP) will explore the use of Domestic Abuse Protection Orders across the borough and Evidence Led Prosecutions.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
11am-11.45am GM Resilience Hub	This session will explore services that help health and care staff build resilience, access therapeutic support, and respond to the impact of challenging work experiences	<u>Book Your Place</u>
12pm-1pm Named Social Care Worker Approach	Learn how the Named Social Care Worker approach is improving continuity, relationships and outcomes for adults receiving support.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
1pm-2pm Ketamine Awareness Session	Led by colleagues from With You, this session aims to raise awareness of ketamine use, explore emerging trends and understand local support.	<u>Book Your Place</u>

2pm-3pm Suicide Awareness and Wellbeing	Public Health colleagues will explore suicide awareness, prevention, and the local wellbeing support available to individuals and professionals.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
Wednesday 18 November		
10am-11am Spotlight on the Safeguarding Team and Front Door Changes	This session will explore the structure of the new safeguarding team and what to expect when a referral is made.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
1pm-2pm Learning from Fatal Fires	Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service will share information on risk factors and prevention.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
2.30pm- 3.30pm PIPOT Guidance	A brief overview of the policy refresh and best practice.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
Thursday 19 November		
10am-11am Initial Response to Sexual Assault	Led by GMP, this session will provide guidance on how to respond to allegations of sexual assault and what to expect.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
11am-12pm Assistive Technology Awareness Session	Delivered by Wigan Council staff from the Smart Bungalow, this session will explore how assistive technology can promote independence and safety.	<u>Book Your Place</u>

1pm-2pm Transitional Safeguarding	Delivered by Wigan Council staff from the transitional safeguarding team and incorporating the voices of care experienced groups, this session will reflect on good practice and local learning.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
3.30pm-4.30pm Male Survivors and Domestic Abuse	Wigan Borough Domestic Abuse Service will explore the experiences of male survivors of domestic abuse.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
Friday 20 November		
10am-11am Spotlight on Lock 20	See how innovative housing and support services are helping vulnerable young people build confidence, develop life skills, and achieve independence.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
11am-11.30am Closing Reflections of Safeguarding Adults Week	Join Mike Wharton, Director for Adult Social Care, as he reflects on key themes, learning and achievements from Safeguarding Adults Week 2026.	<u>Book Your Place</u>
1pm-2pm Learning Disability (LD) Awareness	Led by health colleagues at the Learning Disability Team. This session will debunk myths around LD, explore good practice and local support which is available.	<u>Book Your Place</u>

Why attend?

- Hear from local safeguarding experts**
- Learn from lived experience**
- Develop safeguarding knowledge and skills**
- Explore emerging themes and local practice**
- Strengthen multi-agency working across the borough**

We hope to see you there