



## **New Dudley safeguarding website goes live**

**A new website has been launched in Dudley about protecting children and adults at risk of abuse and neglect.**

The Dudley Safeguarding website makes it easier to find out about different types of abuse and to report concerns, the latest news, guidance, training and contacts. The launch of the new website follows a three month consultation with children, adults and agencies to design new branding and a website that will further improve the customer experience.

In a move to work closer together, the Dudley Safeguarding Children Board and Dudley Safeguarding Adults Board have joined forces to provide a joint online service that offers easy access to up to date information and resources to help spot and stop abuse.

Some of the important features of the new site include:

- a children and young people section and an adults section with information about different types of abuse and the work of the boards
- a parents and carers section which provides information and links on a range of important subjects.
- a section for people and organisations who work with children and adults, including local safeguarding procedures. guidance and training opportunities.
- a section on the work of the multi-agency boards
- a "Report it" button which links through to a variety of methods of reporting abuse.

**Roger Clayton, independent chair said:**

“Safeguarding is an extremely important issue which is about the way we protect children and adults at risk.

“We need to make sure people have easy access to help and support to better understand, recognise and report concerns of abuse and neglect. People can be confident that the information they report will be treated in a manner that protects personal safety.

“We are excited about our new website and the important information it gives local people and organisations to work together to keep everyone safe.

” We welcome all feedback to help us develop the site so that it is a valuable source of information for everyone.”

The new website goes live today, (April 29) and is located at [www.dudleysafeguarding.org.uk](http://www.dudleysafeguarding.org.uk)

**Note to editors**

The Dudley Safeguarding Children Board and Dudley Safeguarding Adults Board are statutory multi-agency organisations which bring together agencies who work together with communities to protect and promote the welfare of children and adults in Dudley.

Safeguarding is about making sure a person is safe and living free from abuse and neglect, and is able to be independent and make choices.

The new and improved Dudley safeguarding website has been designed to provide an improved service and replaces the two separate sites for the boards.