



# SAFEGUARDING

Young People's Edition

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# Who are the designated safeguarding leads?

A Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is the person(s) appointed to make sure that Affinity sticks to their safeguarding policies and takes lead responsibility for child protection issues in the agency.

They must be a senior member of Affinity's leadership team.

Vicky Sellen and Laura Iordache are Affinity's Designated Safeguarding Leads.

Laura is a qualified Social Worker, and Vicky and have completed Level 3 Designated Safeguarding Training.

It is not the Designated Safeguarding Lead's responsibility to decide whether a child has been abused or not. That is the responsibility of agencies such as Children's Social Work Services, or the police.

# The Six Principles of Safeguarding

- Empowerment - People being supported and encouraged to make their own decisions and informed consent
- Prevention - It is better to act before harm occurs
- Proportionality - The least intrusive response to the risk
- Protection
- Partnership
- Accountability



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