

# Partnership Pathway for Community Contextual Safeguarding Risks

Professionals identify risk related to community contextual factors outside of the home e.g., location, space, peer association and persons of interest (adults)

Professional completes community contextual risk referral form and submits to Safeguarding Partnership Business Unit

Referral to be triaged by Safeguarding Partnership Business Unit

Based on referral information, risk considered to sit at Emerging or Moderate level

Safeguarding Partnership Coordinator to conduct scoping exercise with partner agencies and arrange partnership community contextual risk meeting (to be held within 10 working days of referral)

Agencies to complete scoping form and return to Safeguarding Partnership Coordinator within 5 working days.

Safeguarding Partnership Coordinator to collate agency responses.

Collated responses to be circulated to all members attending partnership community contextual risk meeting, 2 working days before meeting.

Based on referral information, risk considered to sit at significant risk

Safeguarding Partnership Coordinator to conduct scoping exercise with partner agencies and arrange community contextual risk meeting (to be held within 2 working days of referral)

Agencies to bring scoping information to community contextual risk meeting.

Partnership community contextual risk meeting to be held and chaired by Partnership Strategic Lead (Vulnerability and Exploitation). Partnership to agree level of risk and next steps.

**No Risk identified**

Referral to be closed with recorded rationale. PSG/PGPM to be made aware of outcome of referral.

**Emerging Risk identified**

Managed through individual agency(s) action agreed at risk meeting.

**Moderate risk identified**

Managed through CSP PSG/PGPM

**Significant risk identified**

Managed through multi-agency formal mapping process, chaired by Partnership Strategic Lead

**Managed through Contextual Safeguarding Chairs**

Safeguarding Business Unit to monitor progress. Non-compliance to be escalated to MACE.

Progress reports against mapping / contextual chairs to be monitored through MACE and closing report to MACE for agreement prior to closure.

**Escalation route via MACE**  
  
(all reports compiled and presented by Partnership Strategic Lead)

Organisational and partnership learning will be monitored and shared through CE Strategic Group Safeguarding Executive Board Learning and Development Group.