

SAFE HAVEN SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

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Safe Haven is committed to maintaining safeguarding-aware practices that promote safety, dignity, wellbeing, and professional accountability. We recognise the importance of safeguarding and collaborative working in supporting women requiring accommodation and structured support pathways.

Safeguarding Principles

- Recognise risk appropriately
- Respond professionally to safeguarding concerns
- Escalate concerns where necessary
- Promote respectful and safe environments
- Maintain professional boundaries
- Support collaborative multi-agency communication

Professional Working

Safeguarding responsibilities and agency communication

Professional Working

Safe Haven may work alongside:

- Local authorities
- Safeguarding teams
- Healthcare professionals
- Housing teams
- Support organisations
- Social workers
- Community agencies

Safeguarding Responsibilities

All staff, contractors, and relevant stakeholders are expected to:

- Act professionally
- Maintain confidentiality appropriately
- Report safeguarding concerns through the correct pathways
- Promote safe accommodation environments
- Follow organisational safeguarding procedures

Emergency Situations & Confidentiality

Professional standards for safe support environments

Emergency Situations

If someone is in immediate danger or requires urgent intervention:

- Contact emergency services
- Contact the appropriate safeguarding authority
- Follow emergency safeguarding procedures

Safe Haven is not an emergency response service.

Confidentiality

Information may be shared where necessary:

- To protect individuals from harm
- To comply with legal obligations
- To support safeguarding processes
- To support multi-agency safeguarding work

Commitment to Professional Standards

- Respectful communication
- Safeguarding awareness
- Professional accountability
- Collaborative working
- Structured support environments