



# **Safeguarding Adults.**

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# Safeguarding Adult Annual Report

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## Safeguarding Adult Boards have three core duties, they must:

- Develop and publish an Annual Strategic Plan setting out how they will meet their strategic objectives and how their members and partner agencies will contribute.
- Publish an Annual report detailing how effective their work has been.
- Arrange Safeguarding Reviews for any cases which meet the criteria, detailing the findings and subsequent action, (*in accordance with Section 44 of the Act*).

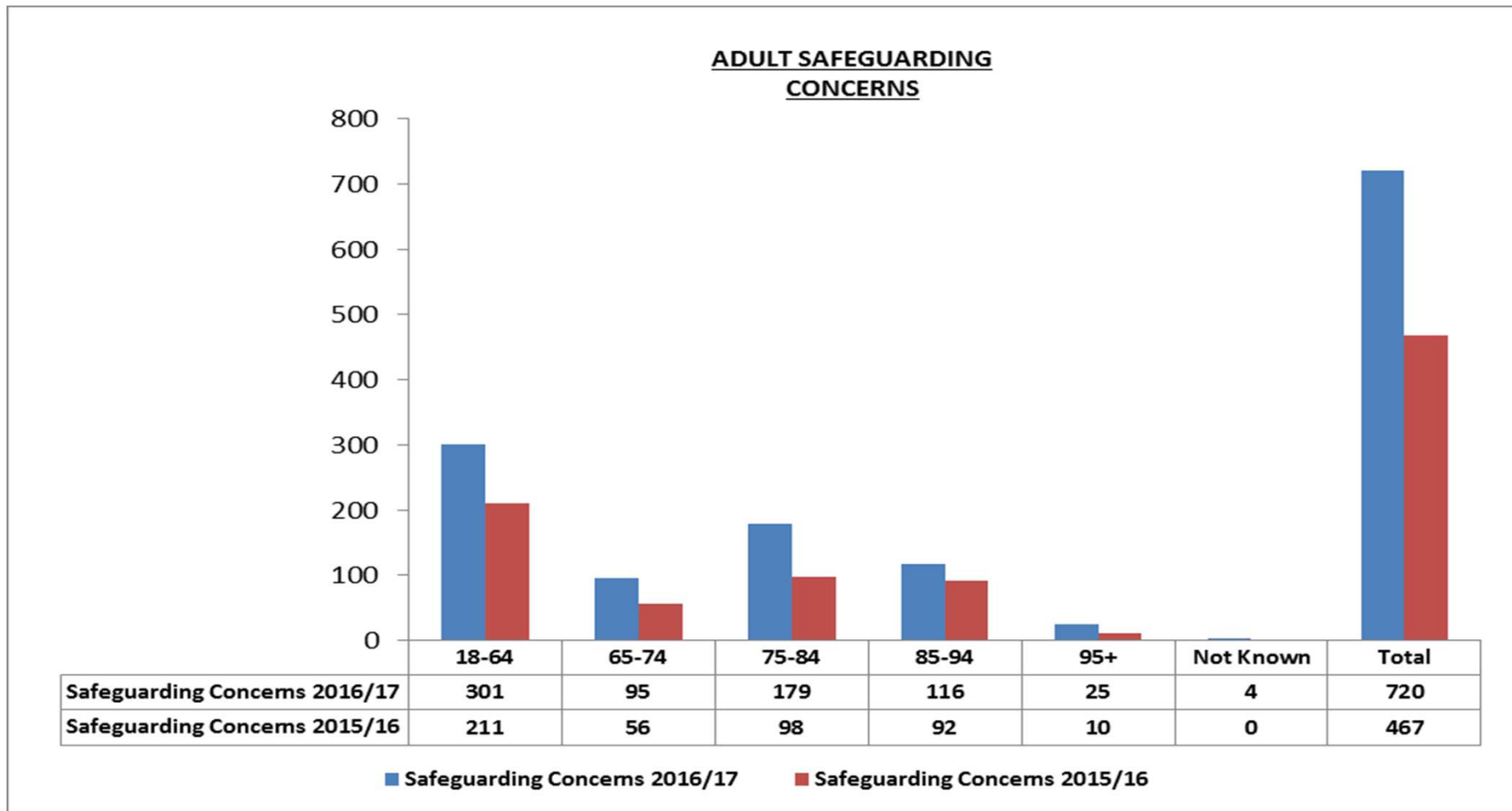
## 6 Principles of Safeguarding Adults

- Empowerment
- Prevention
- Proportionality
- Protection
- Partnership
- Accountability

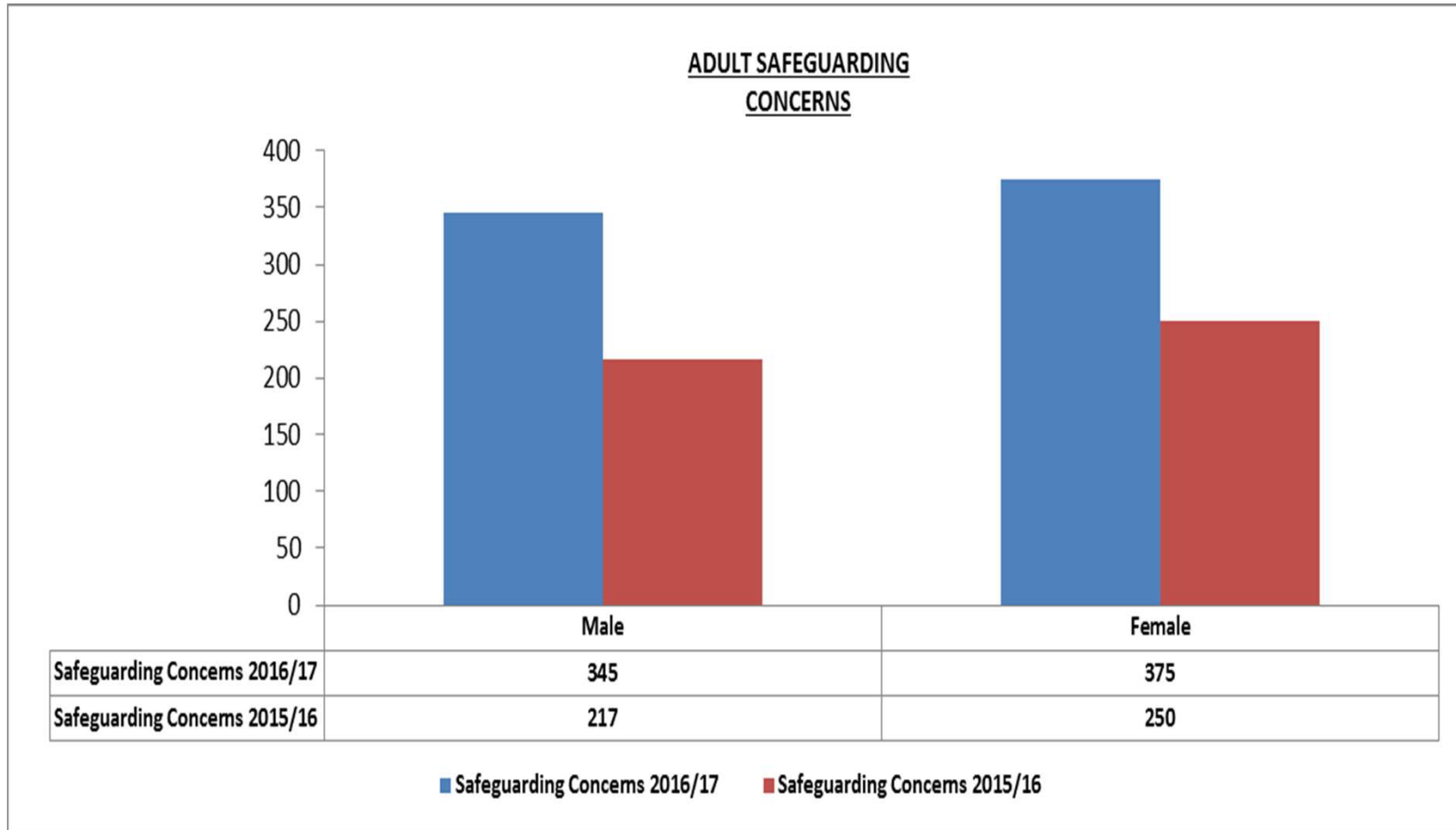
## Multi-agency developments

- Joint Strategy 2015-2019 / Business plan 2017-2018
- Launch of Making Safeguarding Personal
- Executive Governance Group
- Community Safety Partnership
- Learning Disability Partnership
- Local Safeguarding Children Board
- Stay Safe event for people with a learning disability.

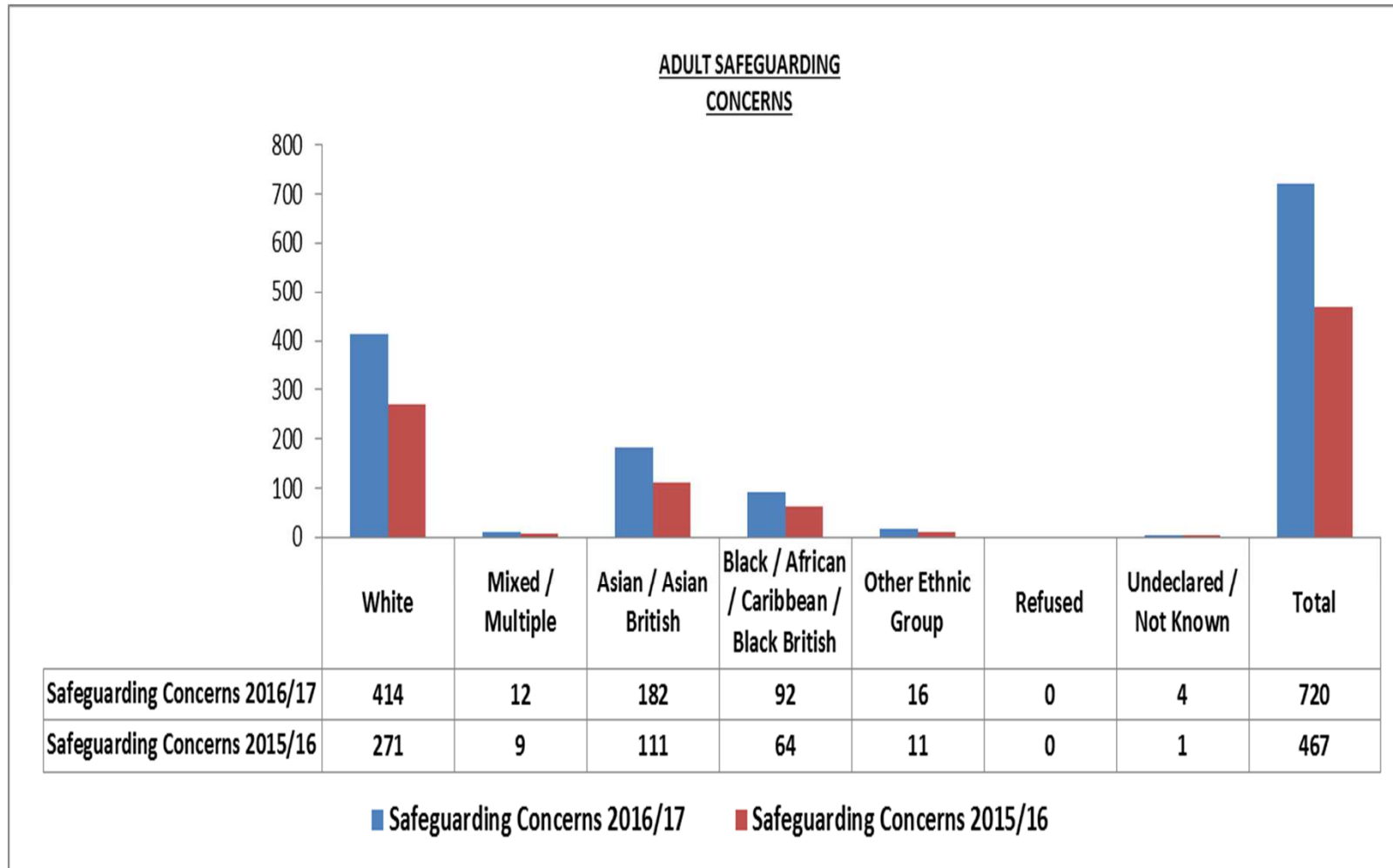
# Safeguarding Adults Concerns 2015/16 & 2016/17



# Safeguarding Adults - Gender



## Safeguarding Adults - Ethnicity





## Cases that proceeded to be investigated

- 696 investigations conducted by social care teams found that the most common forms of abuse are:
  - Neglect 36%
  - Physical abuse 20%
  - Financial abuse 20%

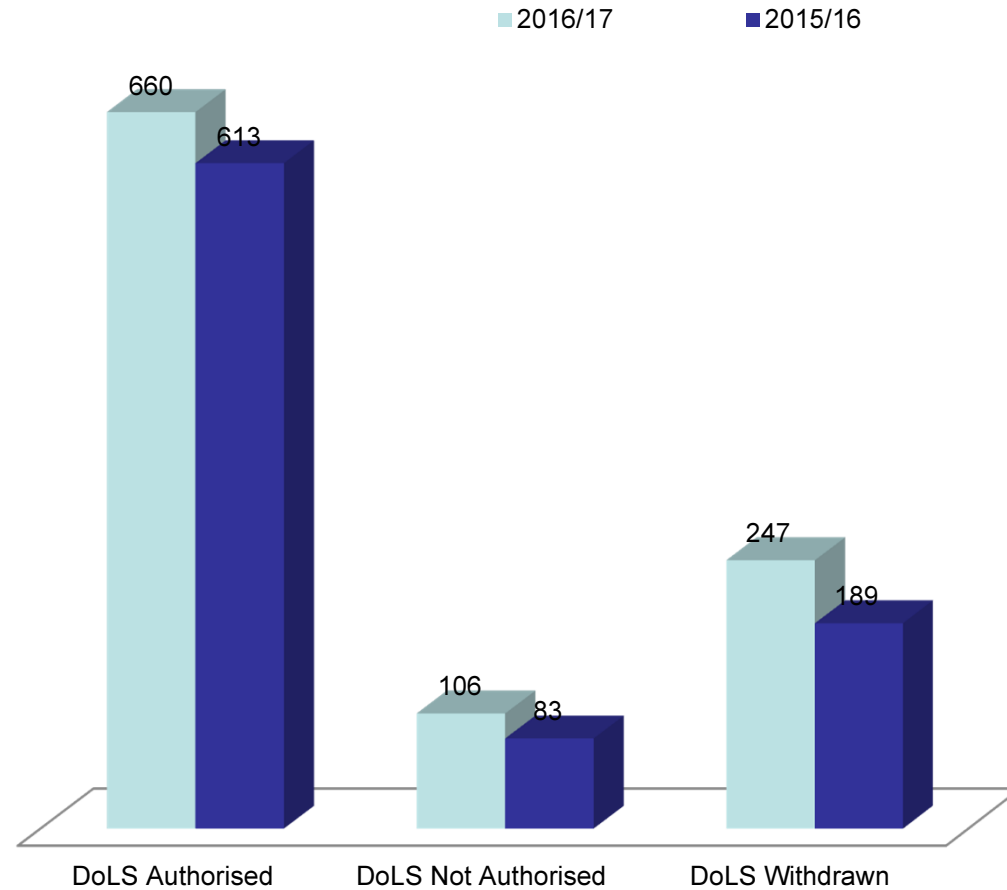
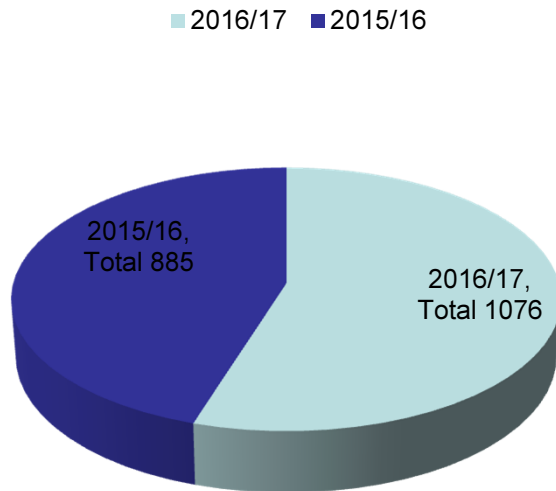
Abuse occurred in:

- Own home 58%
- Care homes 14%



# Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)

## Total Number of DOLS



## Key areas for development

- Performance data across partner agencies
  - improving data analysis and challenge
- Hoarding, Self neglect, Modern Day Slavery, People Trafficking.
- Joint Children and adults Webpages
- Learning from Safeguarding Adult Reviews

## Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs)

**Locally 6 SARs during 2016-17 period *at different stages of completion.***

- 3 completed and published to date.
- 2 SARs to be completed by March 2018
- ***Learning from SARs A report for the London safeguarding Adults Board July 2017.***

Key findings include...

- a) The quality of direct practice with the individual:** Significant learning emerging in relation to a range of aspects of direct practice e.g. missing or poor mental capacity and or risk assessment.
- b) Organisational factors that influence how practitioner work:** poor record and recording, key information in case documentation absent or unclear.
- c) Inter professional and interagency practice :** an absence of “think family approach to assessment of needs and risks.
- d) The SAB’s interagency governance role:** Found to be positive as findings from SARs used to underpin training strategy.

## Priorities for 2017/18

- Professionals to take a person centred and holistic approach to safeguarding.
- Advocacy for individuals who lack mental capacity or difficulty in decision making.
- Minimise repeat safeguarding issues.
- Robust risk assessment and management arrangements involving adults, their families and carers.
- Improving data analysis to measure outcomes.
- Increase engagement of the SAB with vulnerable adults.
- Ensure effective holding of agencies to account.