Raising a concern about a child or an adult working with children

Immediate Concern

• If you think a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999.

Less immediate concern

• You can complete the online form using the following link:

T:\Safeguarding\Report a Concern about a Child = https://www.westsussexscp.org.uk/

Other ways to raise a concern

- Phone: 01403 229900 (Monday to Friday between 9.00am and 5.00pm)
- Professionals must use the online form unless there is an emergency safeguarding concern.

For emergencies only

• If you require the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) outside of office hours (5.00pm-9.00am weekdays) or at weekends and bank holidays, please call 033 022 26664. If the Emergency Duty Team line is unavailable and you need to report an emergency safeguarding concern, please call 07711 769657. Note that this number does not accept texts.

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)

• If you have a concern about an adult working or volunteering with children who may have behaved inappropriately, please report it to the LADO team using the referral form on the West Sussex Safeguarding Children Partnership website. Return your completed form to LADO@westsussex.gov.uk.

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Advice

If you're not ready to make a referral, but would like to speak to the LADO for advice, please contact the team:

- Email (secure): LADO@westsussex.gov.uk
- Phone: 033 022 26450

