

Initial questions

Has the individual consented to you making this request?

Yes

Is the individual over 65?

No

What is the main reason for your contact?

To report a safeguarding concern about an adult

Your details

Your first name

Kevin

Your last name

Fisher

Your job title

Debt advisor

The organisation you work for

Finance Advisor

Organisation address

Budgeting support, 12 Money Avenue, Guildford, GU47 6TR

Your phone number

0300 555 1842

Your email address

k.fisher:@budgetsupport.co.uk

Details of the person who is in need of support

Their first name

John

Their last name

Smith

Their address

123 Cottages, Tiny Lane, Farnborough, GU14 7JU

Their phone number

07712312312

Their email address

john.smith123@hotmail.com

Their date of birth

12/13/1972

Their Adults' Services (AS) reference number (if known)

Their NHS number (if known)

Unknown

GP address: Unknown

Their ethnic origin

White British

Was the ethnic origin defined by the person?

No

Questions about support request

What best describes the reason for your concern?

Physical Abuse

Please provide more detail

Please describe what happened including when, where, who and has it happened before?

John has recently been victim to a serious violent crime whereby he was stabbed with a knife. The Police have been notified of this incident and an investigation is ongoing. John required medical treatment following the attack however he has since been discharged from hospital and is currently at home.

I have concerns regarding John's ability to manage his day-to-day needs. John has a learning disability and has spoken about difficulties in managing his finances. I recently spoke to his tenancy officer, Jane White (Rushmoor Borough Council), and he is currently in rent arrears totalling £375. John also noted that he spends

a lot of his money on takeaways because he struggles to understand cooking instructions. This severely impacts on money available for rent.

John has also said that he struggles to access the community because he finds reading bus timetables difficult. Recently, he went to the wrong place after getting on the next bus that arrived, and it was following his confusion and walking around the area lost, that he was attacked. John has not said much to me about the attack; however, he has suggested that he is aware of who the person was, and he appears fearful of a repeat attack.

Following this assault, I'm also worried that his mental health has been impacted. Although he has not suggested as such, I have noticed a decline in his hygiene, and he often presents as tired and anxious. His home is beginning to become cluttered and takeaway containers are now beginning to mount up in the kitchen as the bins are full. I have spoken to John about talking to his GP, but he says that he doesn't know which Surgery he is registered with and how to get there.

My role is short term and specifically focused on John's finances, however I feel that more long-term planning/support is needed in other areas of John's life. John has said that he has not previously received support, although he had a lot of intervention as a child due to his learning disability. I feel an assessment would be beneficial in understanding any unmet care and support needs.

Is this concern ongoing?

Yes

Has anything been put in place to stop the incident/concern happening again?

Yes

Please describe what has been put in place

John has spoken to the Police regarding the incident and provided the limited information that he has regarding the attack. Police investigation is ongoing, and John has been given the number of Victim Support. I do not believe John has spoken to Victim Support yet.

Do you know what the person you are concerned about wants to happen?

John has spoken about wanting to move on from the incident and get back to normal life.

John has also spoken about the challenges regarding day-to-day living and is open to support. He is worried about being in rent arrears but finds it difficult to understand how he might payback the arrears.

Who else have you reported this to?

N/A

Contact

Who would be the best person to contact as a result of you providing this information?

Contact individual

What is your preferred method of contact?

Telephone