

# NATIONAL SAFEGUARDING WEEK 2025

## POSITIVE PRACTICE IN SAFEGUARDING



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13.11.2025



09:00—16:30

MID AND WEST WALES REGIONAL SAFEGUARDING BOARD



# Introduction

We are pleased to welcome you to this year's flagship event, hosted by [Carmarthenshire County Council](#), as part of the National Safeguarding Week 2025 programme.

This well-established annual conference brings together professionals, practitioners, and partners from across the region and beyond. The 2025 theme, Positive Practice in Safeguarding, highlights effective approaches and innovations in safeguarding practice across all sectors.

In addition to the main theme, the programme also includes contributions that offer a lived experience perspective in relation to suicide, providing valuable insight and reflections.

We are delighted to support and present this event, which features a series of keynote presentations delivered by guest speakers in the morning, followed by interactive workshops in the afternoon.

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We hope that you enjoy the conference and can take away some key messages and practice themes to share with your teams on this very important subject.

For more information on the week's programme and resources linked to National Safeguarding Week 2025, please visit the Mid and West Wales Regional Safeguarding Board's [website](#).





# Presentations

## The Southport Review



**Tony Jenkyn**

Independent Reviewer of  
the Post-Southport  
Prevent Learning Review

## AI in Safeguarding



**Catherine Evans**

Senior Manager, Project  
Management & Data  
Analytics, Carmarthenshire

## Most Significant Change



**Nick Andrews**

Social Worker, Research and  
Practice Development  
Officer, Swansea University

## Vulnerability in Neurodivergence



**Donna Sharland**

Neurodiversity Specialist,  
Managing Director AutSiDe  
Education and Consultancy



# MC & Workshops



## MC: Kiri Pritchard-McLean

Kiri Pritchard-McLean is a comedian, TV personality and respite foster carer who has cared for young refugees, including those from Syria. She is a well known Welsh comedian, satirist and writer.

## Workshop 1: Prevent referrals

**Presenter:** Tony Jenkyn

## Workshop 2: Most Significant Change

**Presenter:** Nick Andrews

## Workshop 3: Lived Experience, Postvention

**Presenters:** Ana Reis-Rogers / Lisa Hammett

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# National Safeguarding Week: Safeguarding Board Conference



Time: 09:45 am (registration from 09:00)

Date: Thursday 13th of November 2025

Location: SC4 Yr Egin, College Road, Carmarthen

Time	Event	Speaker	Location
09:00	Registration and coffee/tea		Atrium/Foyer
09:45	Opening Remarks	<b>Michael Gray</b> (Chair of Regional Safeguarding Board) and <b>Kiri Pritchard-McLean</b>	Main Auditorium
10:00	<a href="#">The Southport Review</a>	<b>Tony Jenkyn</b> - Independent Reviewer of the Southport Attacks	Main Auditorium
10:45	<b>AI</b> in Safeguarding	<b>Cath Evans</b> - Senior Manager, Project Management & Data Analytics	Main Auditorium
11:05	Break	Refreshments served in Atrium (Y Galon)	
11:20	Most Significant Change	<b>Nick Andrews</b> Research and Practice Development Officer Swansea University	Main Auditorium
12:00	Vulnerability in Neurodivergence	<b>Donna Sharland</b> - Managing Director AutSiDe Education and Consultancy Ltd	Main Auditorium
12:45	Lunch	Main Auditorium	
13:45	Welcome back and instructions for workshops	<b>Kiri Pritchard-McLean</b>	Main Auditorium
14:00	Workshops round 1 (30 min)		
	<b>Workshop 1:</b> Prevent Referrals	<b>Tony Jenkyn</b>	
	<b>Workshop 2:</b> Most Significant Change	<b>Nick Andrews</b>	
	<b>Workshop 3:</b> Lived Experience, Postvention	<b>Ana Reis-Rogers /Lisa Hammett</b>	
14:35	Workshops round 2 (30 min)		
	<b>Workshop 1:</b> Prevent Referrals	<b>Tony Jenkyn</b>	
	<b>Workshop 2:</b> Most Significant Change	<b>Nick Andrews</b>	
	<b>Workshop 3:</b> Lived Experience, Postvention	<b>Ana Reis-Rogers /Lisa Hammett</b>	
15:05	Break	Refreshments served in Atrium (Y Galon)	
15:20	Workshops round 3 (30 min)		
	<b>Workshop 1:</b> Prevent Referrals	<b>Tony Jenkyn</b>	
	<b>Workshop 2:</b> Most Significant Change	<b>Nick Andrews</b>	
	<b>Workshop 3:</b> Lived Experience, Postvention	<b>Ana Reis-Rogers /Lisa Hammett</b>	
15:55	Plenary - Q and A Session	<b>All Speakers</b>	Main Auditorium
16:20	Closing remarks	<b>Kiri Pritchard-McLean</b>	Main Auditorium



**Michael Gray**  
(CWMPAS Chair)

Director of Social Services, Housing  
and Public Protection



**Audrey Somerton-Edwards**  
(CYSUR Chair)

Corporate Lead Officer and Statutory  
Director of Social Services



Tony is the director of Jenkyn Prevent Consultancy and Training Ltd (JPCT), a business that specialises in Prevention of Terrorism policy, training, research and reviews. As Director, he works hand in glove with the Homeland Security Group to deliver training to a number of key stakeholders across the UK and conduct reviews. Tony has also worked internationally in the Balkans and USA to develop Prevention of Terrorism policy for governments and deliver training. Tony has a background in Counter Terrorism Policing having worked both regionally and nationally for a number of years. He is the author of the Prevent Learning Review undertaken following the events that took place in Southport in July 2024.

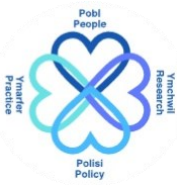
**Tony Jenkyn**



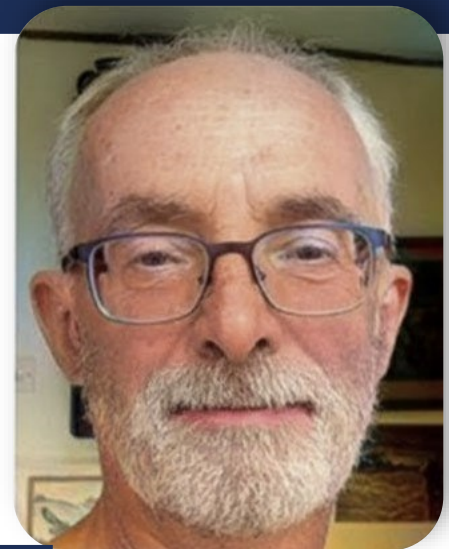
Catherine is a graduate of Oxford University and a strategic leader in public service transformation, with a career spanning local government, consultancy, and the NHS. Currently serving within the Social Care and Housing department at Carmarthenshire County Council, she leads on programme management, digital transformation, and performance improvement. She is passionate about using data, technology, and collaboration to drive better outcomes for people and services. One of her current key programmes is Safeguarding Linc, an exciting regional initiative, aiming to improve safeguarding discussions by enabling secure information sharing across partner organisations and digital innovation.

**Catherine Evans**





Nick is a Registered Social Worker and Research and Practice Development Officer in Swansea University, where he co-ordinates the Developing Evidence Enriched Practice (DEEP) programme. The focus of this work is a co-production approach to using diverse types of evidence in learning and development using story and dialogue methods. Having spent many years in practice and planning in social care services, he is able to make connections between research, policy and practice and has developed an extensive network across Wales and the UK. He is passionate about supporting a shift from process-driven to relationship-centred practice.



## Nick Andrews



Donna is a neurodiversity specialist and managing director of the company AutSiDe Education and Consultancy Ltd. Based in South Wales, she is a qualified teacher and a passionate advocate for the neurodivergent community, which is reflected in her professional and research work. As managing director, Donna Sharland runs this award-winning company, which provides training, consultancy, and support for neurodiversity and related conditions. AutSiDe is neurodivergent-led, and all of its services are intrinsically shaped by autistic perspectives. The company works with both families and organizations across the UK and internationally. Donna Sharland is an associate tutor in criminology and policing and she serves as a trustee for Autism Life centres a non-profit organisation that offers specialist day services for autistic adults and young people with complex health needs.



## Donna Sharland



## Lisa Hammett & Anna Reis-Rogers

Lisa and Ana have lived experience and both have lost a loved one to suicide. Recognising the vulnerability of those bereaved by suicide and the difficulty of finding support in West Wales, they co-founded LiSS with Sian Retter. LiSS a peer support group based in Ceredigion, Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire, providing a walk in service where people can be seen, heard, and cared for. Together, they have received multiple awards, including the Volunteer Award at the West Wales Health and Care Awards.

They have trained various organisations, such as SOBS, ASIST, Papyrus, Time for Change, Sandy Bear, and Jacob Abraham, to provide a deeper understanding of suicide. Their participation includes projects such as training with Dyfed-Powys Police and creating resources, including "Help at Hand" and NHS suicide prevention training. Their goal is to engage those bereaved by suicide and facilitate conversations that help break the stigma surrounding suicide and mental health. With their lived experience and specialist insight from supporting over 70 families bereaved by suicide, this session will support discussion regarding the impact and cost of suicide for the community, for those bereaved and aim to create safe spaces and foster resilience within the community.



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