

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 020 7364 3444 / 5601 / 5606

If there is a concern about the welfare of a child or young person and you would like to talk it through then you should contact the Tower Hamlets Children and Culture Directorate's Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).

The Duty Officer will be able to discuss the concern, assist in deciding whether a formal child protection referral is appropriate and facilitate the reporting of a formal child protection referral in accordance with Tower Hamlets Safeguarding Children Partnership (THSCP) Procedures and to offer advice.

When there is a specific concern of a child protection nature whereby it is thought that a child has been harmed or at risk of being harmed then the LBTH Inter-Agency Referral Form should completed in the first instance. The MASH should then be contacted on 0207 364 3444 / 5601 / 5606 to discuss the matter and the completed Inter-Agency Referral Form then emailed/faxed through.

The MASH operates between 9.00am and 5.00pm except at weekends and on public holidays. If the concern arises outside of the hours operated by the MASH and it is believed the child may be at immediate risk the Children's Social Care Emergency Out of Hours Duty Team or the Police should be contacted without delay.

Important contact information:

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) email Note – information should only be emailed following prior discussion with the Duty Officer.	: MASH@towerhamlets.gov.uk
Children's Social Care Emergency Out of Hours Duty Team (5.00pm onwards)	020 7364 5006 – choose Option 3
Child Abuse Investigation Team (CAIT)	020- 8217 6484 (or use 999 if not available)

