



CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

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Confidentiality is central to the work of everyone working in Westgate Youth Project. All information about young people is confidential. The duty of confidentiality owed to a person under 16 is as great as the duty owed to any other person.

Information will always be treated with the utmost confidence and not divulged outside of the project apart from the exceptions that follow, in which case information may be shared on a "need to know" basis.

For example:

- If the young person is under 18 and physical, sexual or emotional abuse is suspected
- If a young person under 18 reports or alleges abuse
- If the life of the young person or another is at risk
- If information is revealed about criminal activity
- If a young person could cause harm to themselves or others
- If a youth worker has reasonable cause to believe a young person is suffering or likely to suffer significant harm