

**ASpire Reflection Event 22nd January 2026**  
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# Dumfries & Galloway Initiative



IN D&G WE LOOKED AT OUR  
FRONT DOOR AND EARLY ASP  
PROCESSES



ASP REFERRALS AND  
MANAGEMENT OF MULTIPLE  
REFERRALS



OUR ESCALATION PROCESSES



MULTI- AGENCY  
SAFEGUARDING HUB (MASH)



# Self-Evaluation Activity

- Record Reading
- Staff Survey
- Staff Focus Group
- Service User Feedback/Lived experience
- Initial Evaluation Work
- Final Self-Evaluation Report



# Findings

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We recognise **escalating vulnerabilities and risks** - Very Good

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We have **escalation policies and procedures** that jointly identify emerging concerns and escalation of risk for individuals – Excellent

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We convene and **early interagency referral discussion** – Excellent

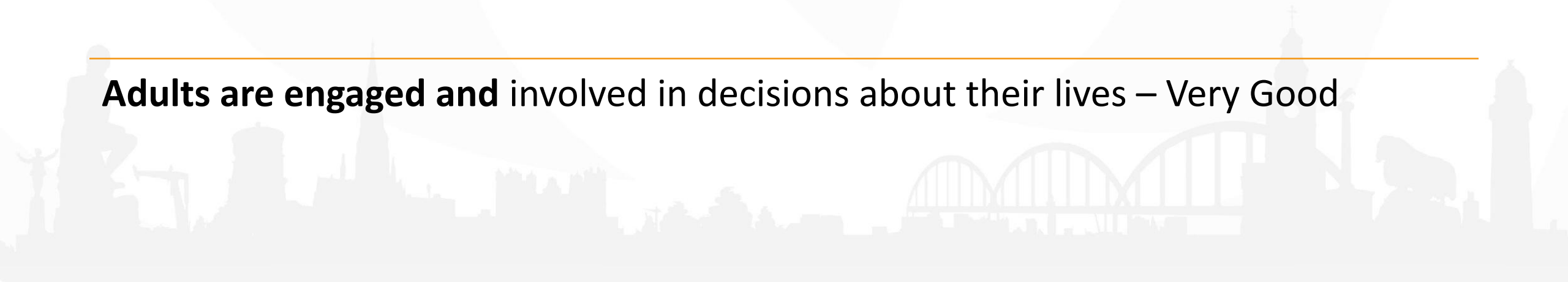
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We care fully consider **the application of the three-point criteria** – Very Good

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**Adults are engaged and** involved in decisions about their lives – Very Good

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# Findings

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Council Officers and others are appropriately **professionally curious**– Very good

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We take account of the complexity, severity and persistence of **trauma and other factors** – Good

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When it is unclear if the adult meets the three-point criteria we conduct a **timely inquiry using investigative powers** – Very Good

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We have **effective management oversight of decisions for adult with escalating risks** – Good

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We have confidence that **our initiative is providing positive outcomes** for adults - Excellent

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# Final reflections from D&G.....

## Challenges

- Resourcing
- timeframe

## Benefits

- Tools and methodology adopted as part of our suite of options
- Added assurance for PPC

