

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

A Strategic Management Board (SMB) oversees the work of the Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements in Greater Manchester. Senior representatives from all the agencies involved make up the SMB, together with two independent lay advisers who represent the public's views.

The SMB reviews the effectiveness of the systems, shares best practice and sets the action plan for the year.

## CAN I FIND OUT ABOUT OFFENDERS?

Information relating to individual sexual or violent offenders is not made available to the public as a matter of course.

However, in some cases and as part of a carefully considered risk management plan, information about an offender may be made available to a third party outside the MAPPA agencies.

This is done in the interests of public protection and will be given to named individuals, or representatives of an organisation.

A national pilot scheme where members of the public can register their child protection interest in a named individual, is soon to be extended across England and Wales during 2010/2011.

Under the scheme, a parent, guardian or third party can make an application to find out if there is information which they need to know about in order to protect a child(ren) in their care. If there is a need to pass information to someone in order to allow them to better protect a child, then the police will disclose to whoever is in a position to use, or need, that information.

Information is considered for release to the media in rare occasions when an offender's whereabouts are unknown and details could be publicised so the public can help trace the offender.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about MAPPA go to [www.gmp.police.uk](http://www.gmp.police.uk), or [www.gm-probation.org.uk](http://www.gm-probation.org.uk)

If you would like to report any suspicious behaviour contact Greater Manchester Police on **0161 872 5050**  
In an emergency contact **999**

# MAPPA PROTECTING THE PUBLIC

**People who have been convicted of some sexual or violent offences are monitored by a number of agencies within the community. This work is known as the Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA).**

**SEXUAL OFFENDERS** are those subject to the notification requirements of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, often referred to as the 'sex offender register'.

**VIOLENT OFFENDERS** include those who have been sentenced to imprisonment for more than 12 months or more, or detained under a hospital order - for an offence listed in Schedule 15 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

These arrangements also monitor a small number of sexual offenders who do not qualify for sex offender registration and offenders disqualified from working with children.

**OTHER DANGEROUS OFFENDERS** are those who do not qualify as a violent or sexual offender but who currently pose a risk of serious harm. This potential for serious harm can stem from an offence that they have committed at some point in their past.



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## THOSE MONITORED BY MAPPA

- Sexual, Violent and Other Dangerous offenders are identified following sentence or caution for a relevant offence, or on referral by any agency involved in MAPPA where there are concerns that person may pose a risk of serious harm

## INFORMATION SHARING

then takes place between the Police, Probation and Prison Services and also a number of other key agencies that have a legal duty to co-operate.

As a result a thorough **RISK ASSESSMENT** is then carried out by the involved agencies

# How It Works

## The Risk Management LEVEL is then set...

- **LEVEL 1**  
Management by all of the three main agencies
- **LEVEL 2**  
Where the Risk management requires active involvement of other agencies via regular multi-agency (MAPPA) meetings
- **LEVEL 3**  
As with Level 2, but because of the circumstances or complexity of these cases senior personnel are involved to provide ongoing oversight and authorise the use of special resources where needed

An agreed **Risk Management PLAN** is put in place - which is then regularly reviewed