



Memorandum of Understanding

How we will work together with the police and courts



We have a plan for how we work with the police and the courts.



The plan helps make sure our work does not stop the police or courts from doing their job.



The police are looking to see if there was **abuse** at Muckamore Abbey hospital.

Abuse is when someone hurts you or treats you badly.



The police have arrested people for abuse and they will go to court.

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The police and the courts will tell us about their work. This will help us do our job.



We get **witness statements** from anyone with experiences of Muckamore Abbey Hospital.

A **witness statement** says what you say happened and what you saw. After it is written down it is signed.



We will tell the police and courts if any information might help them do their jobs.

For example

- If information may be useful in an investigation
- If a crime has been done.



Witness statements have

- the name of the person giving the statement
- names of people involved in their experience.



We will not pass on names if witnesses do not want them passed on to the police and courts.



Meetings where we listen to information from witnesses are called hearings. Information from hearings will be shared on our website.



Any information given to us by the police or courts will be kept safe.



Before we share information from the police and courts we will check that it is okay to tell other people.