



# **HOARDING: CHANGING THE NARRATIVE – FILLING THE VOID**

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# THE CURRENT 'STATE OF PLAY' - UK

**We need to think  
about it differently**

**Hoarding is poorly  
understood**

**More APPLIED  
research &  
development  
needed**

**Systemic/Multi-  
agency issues in  
URGENT need of  
address**

**Need to  
understand and  
deal with the  
social AND self-  
stigma**

**There's a distinct  
lack of literacy,  
expertise and  
support**

# SELF-NEGLECT AND HOARDING???: ‘THEMATIC ANALYSIS’ -TAKE 1: 2017-19 (N=231)

## 3.3. Type of abuse and neglect

The following tables provide the quantitative data regarding the types of abuse and neglect investigated by SARs, together with a regional breakdown, cross-referencing to age-related data, and comparative analysis with available section 42, Care Act 2014, data. The most common type of abuse in SARs was self-neglect, followed by neglect / omission; however, this is not consistently the case across all regions.

Types of abuse and neglect										
Type of abuse	East	East Midlands	Greater London	North East	North West	South East	South West	West Midlands	Yorkshire & Humber	All regions
Discriminatory abuse	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Domestic abuse	3	3	2	0	5	2	3	3	1	22
Financial/material abuse	2	2	5	2	4	4	8	3	0	30
Modern slavery	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Neglect/omission	7	2	20	7	19	12	6	5	7	85
Organisational abuse	2	0	9	1	7	4	5	2	3	33
Physical abuse	2	4	6	2	11	5	7	6	2	45
Psychological/emotional abuse	2	2	2	1	3	2	4	3	0	19
Self-neglect	9	3	29	7	16	16	14	4	6	104
Sexual abuse	0	1	2	2	1	0	1	5	0	12
Sexual exploitation	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	5
Not specified	1	2	8	2	7	3	1	3	2	29
Other	0	0	4	1	2	2	1	1	0	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>399</b>



# SELF-NEGLECT AND HOARDING??:

## THEMATIC ANALYSIS: TAKE 2!

### 2019-23 (N=652)

Type of abuse/neglect	East	East Midlands	Greater London	North East	North West	South East	South West	West Midlands	Yorkshire and Humber	All regions
Financial/material abuse	6 (13%)	3 (9%)	19 (13%)	3 (18%)	13 (12%)	16 (12%)	10 (16%)	6 (11%)	7 (12%)	83 (13%)
Neglect/omission	22 (47%)	16 (47%)	76 (53%)	3 (18%)	52 (48%)	66 (51%)	16 (26%)	21 (39%)	27 (47%)	299 (46%)
Domestic abuse	7 (15%)	8 (24%)	18 (13%)	9 (53%)	16 (15%)	22 (17%)	10 (16%)	8 (15%)	9 (16%)	107 (16%)
Criminal exploitation	4 (9%)	3 (9%)	6 (4%)	1 (6%)	6 (6%)	5 (4%)	4 (7%)	2 (4%)	2 (4%)	33 (5%)
Modern slavery	0 (0%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (<1%)
Discriminatory abuse	3 (6%)	1 (3%)	4 (3%)	0 (0%)	3 (3%)	2 (2%)	1 (2%)	0 (0%)	2 (4%)	16 (2%)
Organisational abuse	3 (6%)	1 (3%)	5 (3%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	8 (6%)	3 (5%)	0 (0%)	2 (4%)	24 (4%)
Self-neglect	22 (47%)	19 (56%)	81 (56%)	14 (82%)	62 (57%)	85 (65%)	37 (61%)	36 (67%)	34 (60%)	390 (60%)
Other	5 (11%)	2 (6%)	18 (13%)	1 (6%)	4 (4%)	16 (12%)	12 (20%)	4 (7%)	3 (5%)	65 (10%)



# SELF-NEGLECT AND HOARDING???





# PERSONAL PERSPECTIVES ON SN

"I wouldn't say I'm losing the will to live, that's a bit strong but ... I don't care, I just don't care."

"Well I don't know, to be honest. Suddenly one day you think, 'What am I doing here?'"

"My possessions are my family ... I'm very fearful of throwing something away."

"I got it in my head that I'm unimportant, so it doesn't matter what I look like or what I smell like."

"I've noticed over the years that I didn't give two monkeys ... I seemed to have plenty of time to do everything but I don't seem to have the time now."

"I put everyone else first – and that's how the self-neglect started."

"I can't physically bend down and pick things up."

Understanding the individual's experience of self-neglect



# **HOARDING: THE HYNDBURN WAY**

***“AN EXPLORATION OF THE NEED FOR, AND FEASIBILITY, OF AN INTER-AGENCY AND EVIDENCE-BASED SERVICE IN HYNDBURN”***

# **H\_THW: PROGRESS TO DATE**

- **SCOPING ACTIVITIES: PREVALENCE, PRACTICE, PRESSURES (JUNE-SEPT INCLUDING LAUNCH EVENT)**
- **2 X 3-HOUR MULTI-AGENCY HOARDING TRAINING WORKSHOPS (N=165)**
- **3 X BI-MONTHLY MULTI-AGENCY HOARDING IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP (H.I.P.) SYMPOSIA (INCL. THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE/EXPERTISE)**
- **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ACCRINGTON PSYCHOSOCIAL INTERVENTION & PEER SUPPORT GROUP**



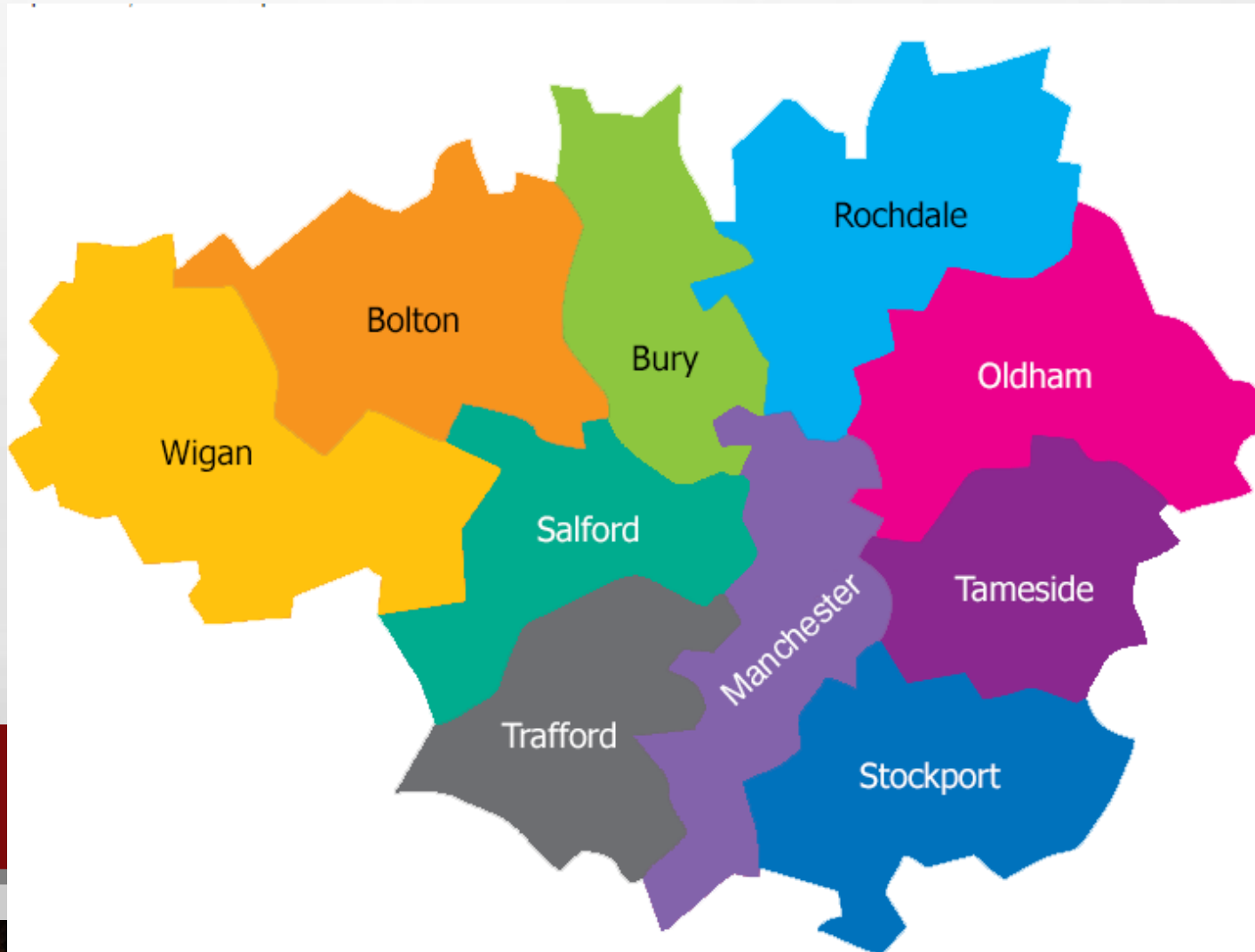
# **H\_THW: NEXT STEPS**

- **DEVELOPMENT OF A 'FAMILY-FOCUSED' PSI & PS GROUP**
- **4<sup>TH</sup> H.I.P. SYMPOSIUM (12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – HYNDBURN HOARDING HUB DEVELOPMENT)**
- **NW HHH 'CONVENTION' – MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> (FIRST OF ITS KIND IN UK)**
- **PAN-LANCASHIRE REGIONAL HOARDING CONFERENCE – MONDAY (12<sup>TH</sup> MAY, THE BALLROOM, ACCRINGTON TOWN HALL)**
- **SUSTAINABILITY & SCALABILITY**

# LANCS/PAN LANCS POSSIBILITIES

- **INCREASE MULTI-AGENCY HOARDING LITERACY/SKILLS BASE VIA FOUNDATION AND **CO-MORBIDITY/CO-CONDITION-SPECIFIC TRAINING** ACROSS LANCS**
- **SELF NEGLECT SUMMIT?**
- **'SEPARATION OF POWERS'!**
- **DEVELOPMENT OF A NETWORK OF PSYCHOSOCIAL INTERVENTION AND PEER SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PEOPLE WHO EXHIBIT HOARDING BEHAVIOURS**
- **DEVELOPMENT OF MULTI-AGENCY HOARDING IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP SYMPOSIA ACROSS LANCASHIRE DISTRICTS**

# GM HOARDING IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP (SEPT 2022-NOV 2023)







# ANY QUESTIONS?

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