

North Lincolnshire

Child Exploitation Strategy - 2018/21

CONTEXT

Reducing the harm from child exploitation including child sexual exploitation (CSE) and child criminal exploitation (CCE) is a key area of focus for the Children's Multi Agency Resilience and Safeguarding (MARS) Board. Safeguarding the vulnerable from exploitation is also one of the key outcomes for the Community Safety Partnership.

VISION

The ambition for the Children's MARS Board is that:

- Children, young people and families are resilient and safeguarded

The vision endorsed by the Community Safety Partnership is that individuals and communities are:

- 'SAFE, STRONG and RESILIENT'

This strategy also supports the strategic outcome set within the Children and Young People's Plan 2016-2020 which is:

- Children Feel Safe and Are Safe

In respect of tackling child exploitation, this strategy aims to:

- Reduce the harm from child exploitation

TACKLING CHILD EXPLOITATION ACROSS THE PARTNERSHIP

Our partnership approach to tackling child exploitation is based on four strategic aims, under which we have identified a number of strategic outcomes.

Prepare

- Systems and processes are enhanced and effective in supporting partnership action and practice
- People are aware of child exploitation and staff are trained, skilled and knowledgeable

Prevent

- Child exploitation is addressed at the earliest point resulting in prevention of escalation
- Young people have enhanced resilience and protective factors as a result of new approaches to working with them and managing risk

Protect

- Those vulnerable to exploitation and those who have experience of exploitation receive support through accessible pathways including transitioning to services to adults
- Those vulnerable to becoming perpetrators and who are perpetrators receive support to reduce impacts

Pursue

- Offending is tackled and maximised through prosecution, disruption and law enforcement

The full strategy is available and an underpinning action plan provides further clarity regarding our partnership action. Progress against the strategy is monitored through the Child Exploitation Strategy Group.