



### Child Exploitation Subgroup Mapping Exercise: Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse – Oxfordshire

**Context:** The government's priority is to tackle the sexual exploitation and abuse of children, secure truth and justice for victims and survivors of these crimes, ensure perpetrators are identified and face the full force of the law, and protect children and young people now and in the future. The government is committed to taking further action to address the historic and ongoing crimes of group-based child sexual abuse and exploitation, such as those that have taken place in Rochdale, Rotherham, Telford, Walsall, Oldham, and Oxfordshire.

Following the Child Exploitation Subgroup meeting on 25.02.25, it was identified that we need to conduct mapping across services to evaluate our understanding of the scale, nature, and drivers of group-based child sexual exploitation and abuse in Oxfordshire. This template has been devised to generate individual responses from agencies across Oxfordshire

#### Required Contact Information:

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#### Questions for Group Members:

<b>Representation and Actions:</b> As a member of the group, which agency/ies are you representing, <u>and</u> what actions do you take from the meetings you attend?	Cherwell District Council Data/Themes /Practice/ Procedures are all feedback to teams across Cherwell. Information & Learning is shared both ways in these meetings across Cherwell and with the services attending these subgroups.
<b>Data:</b> What data that links to child exploitation is held by your agency, and how is this used to understand, respond and drive improvements?	Internal reporting mechanism, "See it Report it" concerns raised for CSE. Reporting making referrals working with the partnership, training, raising awareness across services in Cherwell. Partnership working and learning events. Working closely with community safety team and identifying hot spots and intel with TVP.

<b>Other Group Memberships:</b> Are you a member of any other groups where child exploitation is an agenda in Oxfordshire?	OSCP/Neglect/PAQA/JATAC/Networking Sessions with LCSS/CASO/ENACT/ School Liaison Officer
How does your service disrupt, pursue and protect children identified as being at risk of sexual exploitation? Can you provide evidence of this.	Community Safety partnership, forward referring regular patrol plans target areas around schools. Intel led patrol plans/ hot spots local parks visible around schools. Responding to missing persons reports on the police radio.
What practices or procedures does your agency have in place for working with groups of young people who are transition into adult services? Do you have any case examples	We do not have children services. Housing & Customer service follow internal safeguarding policy. Housing ensure due diligence through housing & homeless individuals reviewing risk factors. Working with probation. Attendance to TVP meetings with community safety teams frequent meetings ensuring strong communications and close working relationships. CAWN – Child abduction warning notice through the briefing with the police & patrolling.
How well do you believe the subgroup focus on prevention, protection and pursuit enable agencies to ensure that we provide the right support at the right time?	Robust focus and challenges in this group from services attending.
What do you believe to be the strengths in the partnership for identifying and responding to children affected by Child Exploitation?	Communication sharing information partnership working close working relationship with the police / school/ school police liaison officer and our community safety team. Engagement events referrals advise and signpost to services for support.
What do you see are the challenges and barriers to this work?	GDPR- Lack of engagement from schools with community safety wardens. People not aware of what they see, such as shoplifting YP stealing condoms.
What opportunities do you see on how the partnership can improve the response for children affected by exploitation in Oxfordshire?	Joint strategies/projects, in hot spot areas. Drop-in centres for children who might need someone to talk to, go for advice a chat hot drink. Local with professionals/school/NHS/TVP/ Community Wardens working together hrs from 3:30 to 18:00 maybe. Raise awareness for the support available.

If you can give examples and evidence of this work and return this template back to [OSCP@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:OSCP@oxfordshire.gov.uk) by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March** so that we can collate and write a report to the Executive group for oversight.