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## **CSE** – a child's perspective

Some one taking advantage of you sexually, for their own benefit. Through threats, bribes, violence, humiliation, or simply by telling you that they love you, they will have the power to get you to do sexual things for their own, or other people's benefit or enjoyment (including: touching or kissing private parts, sex, taking sexual photos)

As defined by the Children's Society





### RISE – multi-agency team

**SAFEGUARDING AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES** social worker and family support workers.

**POLICE** staff include investigators, intelligence, and Safeguarding proactive team.

**CAN (Third Sector) Support workers HEALTH - Specialist Nurse** 

- >Located at Mereway, Northants Police FHQ
- Missing persons Unit co-located
- >Initial response Team co-located





#### **RISE - Support work**

Therapeutic work with those young people at the highest risk of CSE in Northamptonshire. Upon acceptance of a new referral information shared with statutory agencies:

- > Safety planning
- Assertive outreach Persistent efforts to engage Young people at locations suitable for them
- Advocacy Supporting YP to access services they need and through court.
- Outcome wheel involve YP in assessing risk and care plan





### **Support Work - Outcomes**

- What is CSE
- > Grooming models
- Online safety
- > Healthy relationships
- Consent. Sex & the law
- > Risk
- Positive choices
- Signposting / referrals to other support groups including CAHMS and sexual health services.
- > Closure strategy





#### Role of the Police and the Law

Safeguarding
Prosecution
Disruption
Intelligence gathering

No Specific criminal offence of CSE instead a variety of laws exist to protect children

Age is relevant – law distinguishes victims under 18, 16 and 13. Most legislation contained in the Sexual Offences Act 2003





#### **Current picture**

- RISE supporting 49 children (11-17 years old)
- Referrals have doubled in last 8 months
- Police team managing over 60 investigations
- Arrests / proactivity significantly increased
- Awareness raising campaign currently taking place, supporting previous one in Spring 2015
- Information sharing processes put in place across Health, Police, Children's services.
- Successful College of Police Review (July 2015)
- Intelligence gathering and picture of CSE across Northants being developed.
- Action plans in place success of increasing referrals in Corby.





#### What needs to happen next?

- More engagement workers to be recruited to carry out direct work with young people
- ECINS (web based information sharing system) to be embedded.
- The role of Education in the RISE team being considered
- The Collection of intelligence and awareness raising needs to improve. This includes taxis, hotels, housing providers and licensed premises (Borough and District council CSE event completed 22/9/15)
- Improvement in Community intelligence and engagement with BAME groups.



