



A series of key questions have been put together to inform the evidence base of the Scrutiny Panel:

1. Please provide details of the work currently being undertaken by your organisation to address child sexual exploitation (CSE)

Child sexual exploitation is currently being addressed through needs analysis of our members' individual needs and informal education for wider groups. We have not received any formal referrals for support in this area however have provided group informal education.

It falls under our safeguarding procedures:

- Individual concern by lead Youth Worker
 - Case / Circumstance discussion with designated officer
 - Action plan to address agree
 - Communication and support to parents where appropriate
 - Referrals to partner agencies where appropriate.
2. Is there a clear and robust multi-Agency strategy for information sharing, preventing and managing CSE?
 - We practice in accordance to the LSCBN strategy:
<http://www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk/tackling-child-sexual-exploitation-cse-/>
 - Our designated safeguarding officer is CEOP trained.
 3. What other multi-Agency forums exist to facilitate joint working?
 - Early Intervention and SSNP Queensway & Hemmingwell, Wellingborough
 - Diversion Group – Blackthorn Northampton
 4. What is the extent and profile of CSE in Northampton? How do we know this?
 - Our professional view is that victims are vulnerable and it can be prevented through protective behaviours; education and resilience building. There is a community development angle in addressing poverty and symptoms of poverty which is not being provided in the county. Reducing services for young people may mean that we have no access to some vulnerable young people; particularly post 16.
 - Unable to comment on extent
 5. How effective has NBC, its partners and the Police, been in engaging with the local community and other organisations in raising awareness of CSE?
 - Unable to comment



6. How can awareness be raised further of CSE, human trafficking and domestic slavery of children in Northampton?
 - Increase in funding and resources for practitioners working with children and young people.
 - Increase support and intervention for young women.
7. How is CSE incorporated into local training programmes, and who is able to access this training?
 - We use the LSCBN training as it is free and accessible for our team. The only constraint is in our resource to pay people to attend training. Many of our team are part time and unable to attend Monday – Friday training; however online materials support their learning.
8. What support is available to current, potential and historic victims of CSE?
 - We provide individual support for young people 12-18 years if they self-refer to us or Social Care have previously spot purchased support.
9. Do you have further information regarding the role of NBC in tackling CSE?
 - NBC have provided small grant funding to our organisation for this work through Northamptonshire Community Foundation; this has been useful to provide responsive small scale projects in accordance with arising needs.