

Child Sexual Exploitation

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What is CSE?

....engaging in sexual activities for money, profit or any other consideration, due to coercion or influence by any adult, syndicate or group”

Rotherham child sexual exploitation scandal.

An independent inquiry into child sexual abuse in the town, was established in 2013 for Rotherham Council.

Findings. 1400 children Sexual abused between 1997 and 2013.

The crimes now reported included abduction, rape , torture and sex trafficking of children.

The report is very critical of the Police, Council and agencies involved.

The Metropolitan Police Service, Partner agencies and Local Councils responded.

Pan London Child Sexual Exploitation Protocol is now in place.

Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub - MASH

Staffed by:

Three Police officers.

Two Police researchers (Civilians).

Three Children's social care researchers.

Three Children's Social Services Decision Makers.

One Probation officer.

One social worker referral officer.

One Specialist safeguarding Health Visitor.

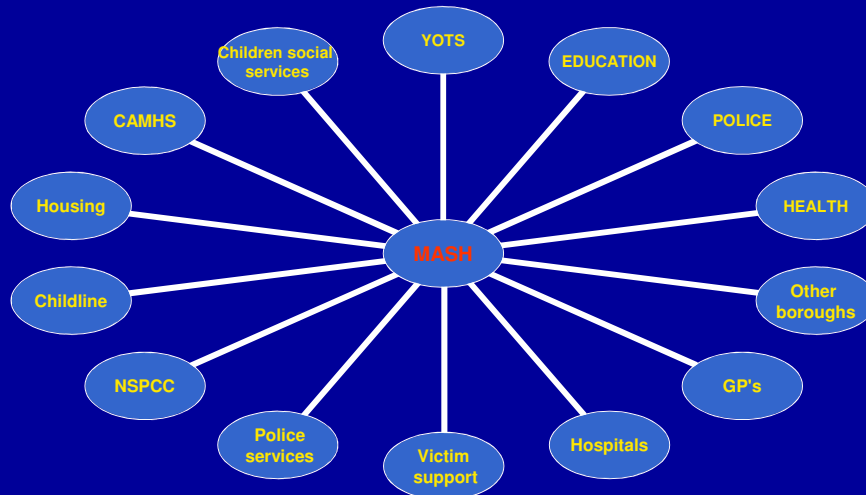


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REFERRALS INTO MASH



What happens with MASH referrals

When a referral is made, the information is assessed. The team may decide that further information is needed in order to make an informed decision. They will then communicate directly with partner agencies and request the information based on a Safe Guarding issue. This allows that agency to share information.

The information gathered from partners within MASH will be assessed by Children's Social care (CSC) and appropriate partner agencies, on a case by case basis.

If CSE is identified as a risk the relevant information will be passed to an operational team to progress.

If there is sufficient evidence that a crime has been committed then this will be recorded and investigated either by the Local Borough Criminal Investigation Department or by the Central Child Sexual Exploitation Team.

MASE and MAP Meetings

MASE Meeting

Where child sexual exploitation is identified a Multi Agency Sexual Exploitation meeting is held. (MASE)

The MASE meeting is held once a month to discuss the children at risk of CSE. This is attended by multi agencies partners and chaired by police. The other partners that attend include children's health, education, social services, teenage and parents support team (TAPS), Child mental health services (CAMHS).

MAP meeting

- Once a child has been discussed within the MASE and it is felt that the risk of CSE or the child is being exploited each child can be referred into the MAP meeting (multi agencies panel) this is where the child's individual multi agencies partners attend, their social worker, their YOT's worker, a representative from education, their parent/guardian and any other agencies that is linked to that child.
- Actions will be decided at the MAP for on going strategies to safeguard that child ensuring that all parties involved share information and the strategies are in place.
- All agencies will work in partnership to ensure that the risk of CSE is ultimately reduced and the child is safeguarded against further risk of CSE.



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Bromley CSE data

- *Bromley's CSE Data from 07/05/13 is :-*

• MASE Referrals	Crime	Intervention/disruption	Charges
• 54	12	39	7

Operation Makesafe

- Operation Makesafe is a Pan London Operation designed to identify possible premises where perpetrators could operate from. Bromley have identified those premises within the borough and will start a leaflet campaign to raise awareness of CSE.
- As seen from the statistics CSE is not a vast issue on Bromley borough. However there is always potential risk. One of the issues faced when trying to decide if Child Exploitation has taken place is the abused person does not always believe they are the victim. They therefore do not report or disclose what is happening. It is the responsibility of the police and their multi agencies partners to ensure they continue to safeguard Children and Young people against CSE.
- Bromley have a dedicating single point of contact (SPOC) that helps to educate other agencies around their responsibilities to share information to safeguard against CSE.

Thank you for your time and attention.



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