

# Child Exploitation Multi Agency Audit

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This audit reviewed the records of eight children to consider how effectively organisations within South Gloucestershire identify and respond to child exploitation. The aim of the audit was to assess whether there were good multi agency standards for managing cases and whether organisations have implemented a robust and consistent response in line with statutory and good practice guidance, SGCP policies and procedures.

## Financial Exploitation

This was a theme and is not as well understood by practitioners. Information is now included in the Bitesize Exploitation sessions

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## Themes

## Organisations involved were

YOT, Children's Social Care, Sirona, Preventative Services – Families Plus and YPS, Safeguarding Advisor for Education, Police, CAMHS, BNSSG CCG on behalf of GPs, BASE, Educational Psychology



Children were aged from 15-16 years



4 girls  
4 boys

3 children at risk of child sexual exploitation



2 children subject of MARMP

2 open to Early Help  
4 Child in Need

5 open to Exploitation Team  
1 open to BASE

3 children criminal exploitation

5 children discussed at PIMM

## Increasing Professional Knowledge and visibility of children

- Flags on records – second audit in a row this has been a theme
- Ed Psychology not involved where they would expect to be – ensure schools know when to refer

## Mapping

When looking at a whole group of young people – make sure you also consider individual needs for support & protection

**GOOD PRACTICE:** One of the cases in this audit was acknowledged as an exemplary case. Good multi agency working, advocacy, understanding the child's needs. Modelling persistence.

## Acronyms:

EIT – Exploitation Identification Tool  
PIMM – Partnership Intelligence Management Meetings  
MARMM – Multi Agency Risk Management Meeting  
MARMP – Multi Agency Risk Management Plan  
SYV – Serious Youth Violence  
CCE -Child Criminal Exploitation

## Use of Language

Some professionals still not using appropriate language to talk about young people at risk of exploitation. There is a really helpful guide to support practice – click this box to read the guide

**ACTION PLANS** should always be SMART. Some in this audit were not.

It should always be easy to see whether actions have been followed up or completed.

Ensure the Exploitation Tool is completed early. This audit identified drift and delay where the EIT was completed late and good practice when it was completed early and accompanied the referral into ART – this led to a quicker, appropriate response to the concerns.

Access the EIT here

