



# South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter  
Exploitation Edition

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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## Exploitation Edition

This special edition of the newsletter is a combined newsletter for both the South Gloucestershire Children's Partnership and the Safeguarding Adults Board and has a specific focus on Exploitation

This newsletter, and back copies from the last few months are now available on the website. You can find them all [here](#) on the Children's Partnership site and [here](#) on the Safeguarding Adults Board website.

### Exploitation Training

Both the Safeguarding Adults Board and the Children's Partnership commission a programme of multi agency training open to all who work with adults and children in South Gloucestershire. The courses about Exploitation are as follows:

**Raising Awareness of Child Exploitation – a contextual approach – [courses here](#)**

**Exploitation of Adults – [courses here](#)**

**Working with Parents through Child Exploitation – [courses here](#)**

**Working with victims of Child Exploitation - Skills and Practice – [courses here](#)**

**Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery – [courses here](#)**



### \*BRAND NEW\* Bitesize Child Exploitation Sessions

There have been several changes to our processes in South Gloucestershire over the past year. These include:

- Risk management Pathway
- Exploitation Identification Tool
- PIMM Meetings

To help professionals from all organisations understand their roles and responsibilities around exploitation there are new Bitesize sessions provided by the Children's Partnership. Free to attend and taking place using Microsoft Teams, each session is just 45 minutes long and will be packed full of useful information and tools to support professionals in working with Child Exploitation.

Book a place here:

[Thursday 4th November 10am](#)

[Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December 12 noon](#)

## The Education Inclusion Project



This week sees the launch of the new VRU (Violence Reduction Unit) project named Education Inclusion Project (EIP).

The project will involve around 6-8 weeks of one-to-one support with a young person (between 11-16 years old). The interventions/support can be undertaken inside or outside of school. The support will be bespoke and targeted to the needs of the young person with the over-arching aim of reducing incidents of youth violence and reducing the risk of permanent exclusion.

The 1-1 support will be being provided by Learning Partnership West (LPW) who are very experienced both with supporting young people on a 1-1 basis and, around issues involving serious youth violence and school exclusion.

The criteria for making a referral must include:

- At risk of PEX.
- At risk of, or engaged in Serious Youth Violence (Including CSE/CCE/HSB)
- Must be between 11-16 years old.
- Young person's agreement to engage and voice included.
- Consent to agree to being contacted in the future by independent evaluators.

For the referral to be accepted, we will require an EIP proposal for each young person which will then be triaged. The school will be expected to name a designated professional within the school willing to meet (via Microsoft Teams) regularly to discuss progress.

The people involved in the EIP are:

- Rachel Sharvell-Smith (Rachel works in the Youth Offending Team (YOT) will be available as a school link for the project to discuss possible referrals and support stuck/complex cases)  
[rachel.sharvell-smith@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:rachel.sharvell-smith@southglos.gov.uk)
- Arran Bees (Arran works in the Young People Support Team (YPS) and his role will include liaison with LPW around the referrals we receive, triaging of proposals and recording information on the council systems)  
[arran.bees@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:arran.bees@southglos.gov.uk)
- Joe Secrett (Joe will be the coordinator of the project from LPW and will be responsible for supporting the LPW support workers undertaking the direct work as well as being the link with the family)

Here is the EIP proposal form and **referrals are open now:** [EIP Proposal Form](#)

If your proposal is successful, we will also ask you to complete a monitoring form at the end of the intervention, so, we'd recommend you take a look at this one too: [EIP Monitoring Form](#)

## Exploitation Audits



Twice a year a multi-agency audit takes place specifically looking at children at risk of Exploitation. These are full day audits and involve professionals from all the key organisations coming together to identify what is working well, and what needs to improve in terms of our combined response to Exploitation. The learning is then shared.

**Have you seen this learning? Has it been shared with your team?**

- [Exploitation Audit Summary June](#)
- [Exploitation Audit Summary December](#)

## Are you worried about a Child at Risk of Exploitation?

Please make sure you use the Exploitation Identification Tool (EIT). The EIT replaces the SERAF and can be used by anyone working with children if they have some concerns a child may be at risk of any form of exploitation. Referrals into ART regarding concerns about a child at risk of exploitation should be accompanied by a completed EIT.

Find the Exploitation Identification Tool [here](#)

## Billy's Story

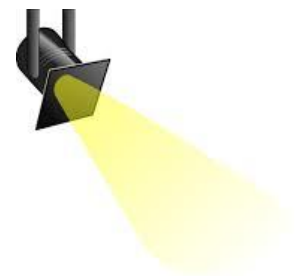


This is Billy's Story . Click the picture to watch.

The Routes service work with children at risk of CCE. Referrals should go to Nicola Ford [Nicola.Ford@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:Nicola.Ford@southglos.gov.uk)

Barnardo's BASE Service work with young people in South Gloucestershire who are at risk of sexual exploitation Here are their details and how to refer – [click here](#)

## Spotlight on Policies



**Think Exploitation is just about children and young people? Think again**

### Exploitation Practice Guidance (Adults)

The multi agency guidance for professionals working with adults was published in 2020 and is available on the Safeguarding Adults Board Website . You can access a copy [here](#).

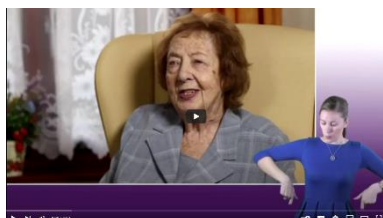


## Exploitation of Adults

Remember that sexual exploitation of adults may have taken place even if the person being exploited believes they have given consent to engage in sexual activity.

Research in Practice have produced guidance for practitioners to help spot the signs of sexual exploitation in adults. You can find a copy [here](#)

The Quality Assurance sub group of the Safeguarding Adults Board undertook a multi-agency audit on the theme of exploitation in November 2020. You can read the learning brief from this audit [here](#).



## Annie's Story

This is Annie's Story about financial exploitation. Annie's story has been shared for learning by Surrey County Council and you can watch by clicking the picture.



## Risk Management Pathway

The RMP provides information on the:

- Multi- agency response to individual young people at risk of all forms of extra familial harm.
- Multi- agency response to issues of group/organised exploitation.
- Senior management multi agency oversight of issues and themes for South Gloucestershire.
- Senior management multi agency oversight of young people at highest risk of extra familial harm.

[SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S RISK MANAGEMENT PATHWAY](#)

## \*Partnership Intelligence Management Meetings\* (PIMMs)

PIMMs are fortnightly multi-agency meetings that are part of the Risk Management Pathway. The primary aim is to share information and intelligence in order that children at risk of exploitation are identified early, support put in place and disruption opportunities are planned.

[PIMM REFERRAL FORM](#)

[PIMM PROCEDURAL DOCUMENT](#)

## Additional Useful Resources

[Exploitation-Identification-Tool-final.pdf \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#) – This tool has replaced the SERAF tool in South Gloucestershire

[Guidance-App-Language-Toolkit.pdf \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#)

[Criminal Exploitation of children and vulnerable adults: County Lines guidance \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#) – Guidance from the Home Office

[Child exploitation disruption toolkit \(southglos.gov.uk\)](#)

[Avon & Somerset Police – Report an exploitation crime](#)

[Cuckooing Fact Sheet](#)

[Children's Society Toolkit for Professionals](#)

[Modern Slavery Awareness and Victim Identification](#)

[Trafficking and Pregnancy](#)

[County Lines – Protecting Vulnerable People Resources](#)

[Modern Slavery Posters](#)

[Avon & Somerset Police Exploitation Poster](#)

[South Gloucestershire Children's Partnership Webpage for Exploitation](#)