

### Summary of the work carried out by Partner agencies and sub groups to deliver the Bracknell Forest LSCB CSE Strategy and Action Plan April 2013 – November 2013

#### Prevention.

- Raising Awareness sub group – Chelsea’s Choice drama production was introduced to BF Schools in June 2013. 5 Bracknell Forest Secondary Schools participated and the production was viewed by approximately 1200 pupils. CSE information leaflets from Barnardo’s were printed and distributed to each of the 1200 young people. Parent advisory leaflets were issued to these parents and 30 leaflets for professionals went to each of the 5 schools.
- E Safety sub group - The e-safety training sessions for the workforce include the warning signs for CSE as well as who to contact and what to do in the event of an incident.
- Quality Standards sub group- The LSCB’s Quality Standards and Case Review Sub Group are currently undertaking in depth multi-agency case reviews that are likely to produce some important local learning and will further inform the delivery of our training programme for Bracknell Forest Staff.
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- Bracknell Forest Council, Learning and Development. - Basic training sessions timetabled. See attached outline of levels of training available within Bracknell Forest. The funding for this has been underwritten by the Community Safety Partnership. E learning package has been sourced by the pan Berkshire LSCB training Sub group and several of the Berkshire LSCBs have purchased it.
- Bracknell Forest Youth Service - delivered sessions to raise awareness with young people they are working with. They have carried out a training audit to ensure that all staff training needs for CSE are identified.
- Berkshire Healthcare Foundation Trust have sent to all staff CSE indicator information and in 2012-2013 our forums for universal services including awareness training on CSE.
- Public Health - As part of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for Bracknell Forest a statement within the Developing Well Section (C&YP sexual health/national and local strategies & best practice) has been included as follows:-  
*Professionals from all agencies and organisations who work with children of all ages must be aware of child protection and safeguarding issues and be alert to the signs and risk factors for abuse and/or child sexual exploitation and take appropriate action as required. (Bracknell Forest LSCB, 2013)*
- Thames Valley Probation Service (Bracknell Forest) - Roll out of Chelseas Choice Drama production, available across TVP, Bracknell Staff attended the workshop delivered by by Slough LA

- Bracknell Forest DAAT and YOS- Staff in DAAT and Youth Offending services are required to undertake CSE training.
- Adviza/Connexions - The Connexions Berkshire website has a page regarding staying safe which includes a link to CEOP

## **Identification**

Bracknell Forest LSCB is now formally affiliated with the National Working Group and have been able to access support and guidance from both NWG experts and colleagues who form part of its professional network. The board's business manager and chair of its CSE Sub Group have agreed (subject to work commitments) to share the responsibility of representing the LSCB at national meetings of the NWG held 3 times a year.

- Raising awareness sub group - Barnardo's leaflets aimed at Young People, Parents/Carers and Professionals have been produced and distributed. Bracknell Forest Council Website 'Protecting your Child' section has been updated to include CSE and offers appropriate signposting.
- BHFT - The Trust safeguarding named nurses have implemented a pilot to capture staff concerns and referral to CSC about CSE and this will provide the opportunity for staff to discuss risk management with a name nurse. This has been implemented to raise the profile and allow the named nurses with experience to be able to provide support for front line staff. BHFT have sent to all staff CSE indicator information and in 2012-2013 our forums for universal services including awareness training on CSE. BHFT have agreed to participate in a Thames valley wide audit and one of the named nurses will be the lead on this for BHFT.
- DAAT - The Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy was circulated to members of the Drug & Alcohol Strategy Group and the Treatment Providers Group to raise awareness. The chair of the CSE group has been invited to present on the subject to the ASCH&H Managers forum
- Bracknell Forest CSE Operational Group (chaired by Children's Social Care) - The CSE operational group links with the Missing children group as the chair of the CSE group also attends the missing children monthly police led group. Safeguarding Manager for Education also attends both groups.
- BHFT Sexual Health Service - All under 16 year old attendees are seen as a priority. Within the clinic all vulnerable young people are discussed at an MDT meeting to ensure as far as possible relevant agencies are involved with the young person

## **Support**

- Children's social care have developed the multi agency CSE operational group, which is chaired by the Over 11's team manager and meets bi-monthly. Young people are now referred by all agencies through the completion of the Durham risk assessment tool. Attendance has been extended to invite all BF secondary schools, school nurses, and CAHMS. During the meetings all young people are discussed and further assessed as being high, medium or low risk. All agencies are involved in supporting the young person and their roles are identified. The young people are frequently known to CSC and a CIN plan or LAC care plan will be in place to ensure multi agency working. Cases are reviewed at each meeting.

- Bracknell Forest YOS have developed 2 intervention programmes for direct work with young people who are either being sexually exploited, or whose behaviour puts them at risk of exploitation. These programmes are delivered one to one by case managers or in a groupwork situation. One groupwork programme has been delivered to young women attending the Pupil Referral Unit and a further programme for young women known to YOS and/ or Childrens Social Care is planned for early in 2014.
- Most agencies have identified a strategic Manager to sit on the LSCB CSE strategic sub group and act as the lead for developing a coordinated strategic response to CSE on behalf of their agency.
- BHFT – Named Nurses are leads and attending CSE operational groups
- Bracknell Forest Council Learning and Development department – The training programme has been developed and one advanced CSE workshop run. Attendance on specialist workshops for trainers is arranged. More recently however attempts have been made to ensure that this integrated within a Berkshire Training pathway for CSE in order to ensure common standards are achieved for staff working across local authority boundaries and that achieves greater consistency in regards to the content and most effective methods of learning.  
Guidance provided by the NWG has also informed the Board's approaches to training and professional development in respect of CSE.

## **Prosecution**

- Thames Valley Police - TVP have identified 2 actions for Local Police Areas (LPAs), i.e **Suspected perpetrators' activities are disrupted. Safety plans are put in place to protect potential victims at the earliest opportunity".**

Bracknell Forest LPA is now developing an Action Plan. Neighbourhood staff will work with hotels and visit where children and young people congregate. They will also be aware of the fact that CSE is as much a Priority as other offences such as burglary and violence. The intelligence picture, including that with partners is to be continually developed, as well as the identification of hotspots where young people are gathering.

- Bracknell police Area Intelligence Team working with the Community Safety Partnership have issued guidance to all agencies on reporting intelligence to the police, together with a form which can be accessed on the Council's website.
- Thames Valley Probation Service – have published a Position Statement on Sexual Exploitation by Gangs and Groups. The Consent Campaign publicity has been used in offender waiting area - to highlight to Adult Offenders the importance of mutual consent and what this means. This applies to adult relationships. Staff have been made aware in team meetings of what to look out for on home visits re CSE or what to pick up on in talking to offenders who are parents – as Probation are a non child facing organisation and therefore opportunities to engage with children are very limited

### **Direct work with young people at risk of becoming perpetrators**

- Bracknell Forest YOS Stepping Up – groupwork programme for young men address the issues of abusive relationships, issues of consent re legal and illegal sexual activity, use of pornography, and encourages boys to reject

abusive behaviours in favour of positive and respectful personal relationships.