

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) arrangements in Calderdale through the Calderdale Safeguarding Children Board (CSCB)

See the attached diagram for the strategic and operational structure chart for CSE arrangements in Calderdale.

All members of the Calderdale Safeguarding Children Board or organisations that are commissioned by members are bound by the CSCB Inter-Agency Safeguarding Children Procedures (http://westyorkscb.proceduresonline.com/chapters/p_sg_ch_and_yp.html). A locally produced strategy (Calderdale Districts Partnership Response to CSE) supplements these procedures and sets out in detail the expectations on all agencies working with children & young people when CSE is an issue. This strategy is endorsed and owned by the Proactive and Responsive sub group; one of the work streams of the CSCB. The CSCB are due to approve and officially launch this document on 2nd October 2014. The Proactive and Responsive sub group works on behalf of CSCB to coordinate and ensure the effectiveness of the CSE Strategy in Calderdale.

The priorities for this sub group are: Child Sexual Exploitation, Missing Children and Children who are Trafficked. The group review strategies and plans in terms of single agency and interagency working arrangements and seeks ways to improve / maintain current joint working arrangements. Members challenge partners, when appropriate, to ensure that each organisation plays its part collectively to ensure the best outcomes for children and young people.

The Chair of the sub group sits on the Business Group where a two way process ensures that:

1. The Business Group, on behalf of the Board, direct the work of the sub group and streamline arrangements with each of the other work streams and;
2. Actions and risks from the sub group are identified, strategically planned in the Business Group and reported with recommendations to the Board.

The Proactive and Responsive sub group oversees and receives reports from the CSE Operational Group who work together to protect the victims of CSE, share and develop intelligence, raise awareness, support investigations and provide a greater ability to disrupt and prosecute perpetrators. This oversees the work of the Hub or 'co-located multi-agency integrated team' which meets daily to share new intelligence and discuss and action referrals. This daily meeting focuses on children and young people who are reported missing or who have been missing within a 24 hour period, and who may be displaying warning signs of being of risk.

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