



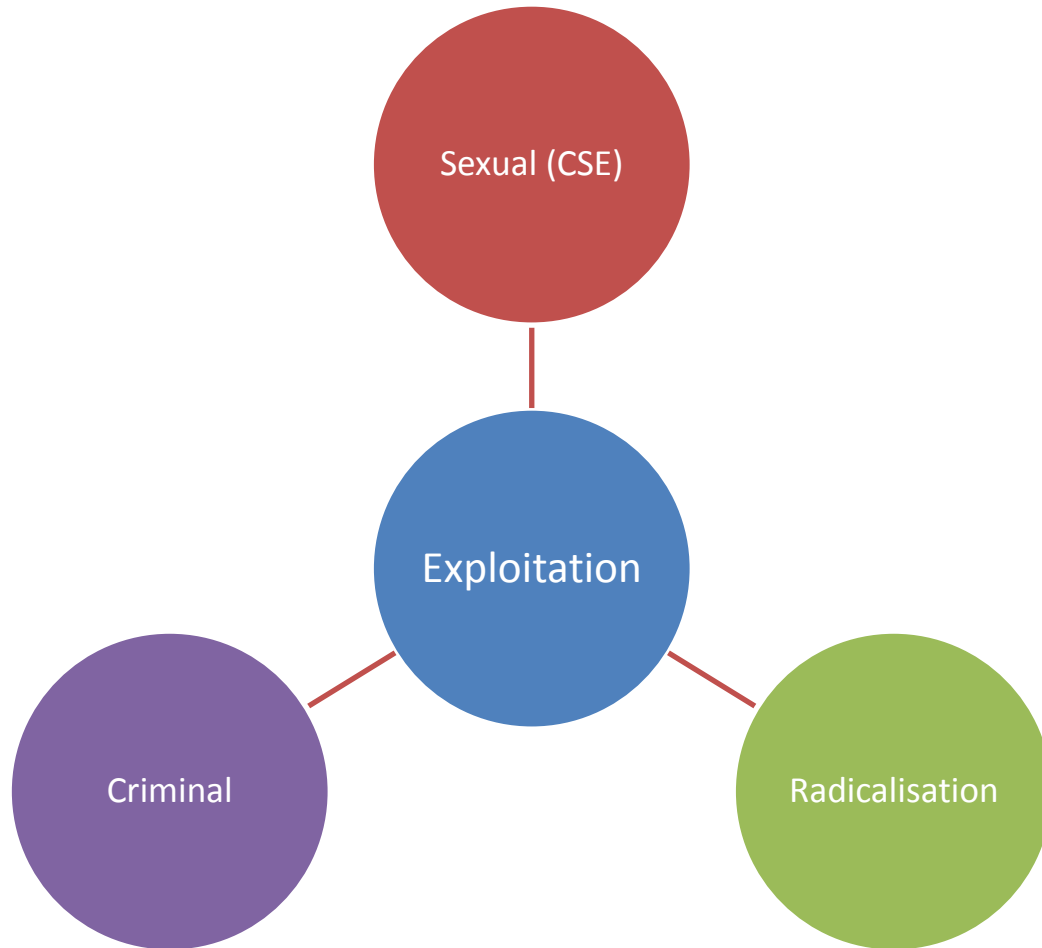
# West of Berkshire LSCB Forum

## Exploitation of Children

# Agenda

- 09:30 Welcome and house keeping
- 09:40 Understanding Exploitation
- 10:15 Seeing Victims as Victims
- 11:00 Question & answer session
- 11:15 Networking time
- 11:30 Close

# Contributing factors



# Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

- *Child sexual exploitation is a form of child sexual abuse. It occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into sexual activity (a) in exchange for something the victim needs or wants, and/or (b) for the financial advantage or increased status of the perpetrator or facilitator. The victim may have been sexually exploited even if the sexual activity appears consensual. Child sexual exploitation does not always involve physical contact; it can also occur through the use of technology.*

<https://youtu.be/WsbYHI-rZOE>

# Radicalisation

- Radicalisation is the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and forms of extremism leading to terrorism. During that process it is possible to intervene to **prevent** vulnerable people being drawn into terrorist-related activity
- **What is Prevent?**
- Prevent is about safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism. Prevent is 1 of the 4 elements of CONTEST, the Government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.



# Criminal Exploitation



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# Working with Exploited Children

- They are a hard to reach group
- Often they do not see themselves as victims of exploitation
- They are children and should be treated as such, no matter how they present

# Referral Pathways

Prevent Officers:

[Jo.Physick@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Jo.Physick@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

[Tristan.Khezzadeh@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Tristan.Khezzadeh@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

[preventreferrals@thamesvalley.pnn.police.co.uk](mailto:preventreferrals@thamesvalley.pnn.police.co.uk)

Report a concern about a child:

Reading 0118 9373641

Wokingham 0118 908 8002

West Berkshire 01635 503190



# Useful Links

LSCB websites:

[www.readinglscb.org.uk](http://www.readinglscb.org.uk)

[www.westberkslscb.org.uk](http://www.westberkslscb.org.uk)

[www.wokinghamlscb.org.uk](http://www.wokinghamlscb.org.uk)

Child Protection Procedures online:

[www.proceduresonline.com/berks/](http://www.proceduresonline.com/berks/)

# Question and answer session

Suggestions for future forum topics?