

Say something if you see something

If you have concerns about child sexual exploitation, you may be unsure about whether you should be worried, but it is important that you don't keep your concerns to yourself.

What to do if you have concerns

Police

Call 101 for non-emergencies or call 999 if you are concerned that a child is in immediate danger.

Crimestoppers

If you wish to remain anonymous, contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or report online at

www.crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/give-information-online/

Safeguarding Children Boards

For more information on child sexual exploitation contact 01733 963744 or visit Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board at www.peterboroughlscb.org.uk/home/professionals/child-sexual-exploitation/

Or Cambridgeshire Local Safeguarding Children Board 01480 373522 www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/lscb/

Licensing Authorities

For more information on your responsibilities or support please contact your licensing authority on

01733 747474 for Peterborough or your District Council in Cambridgeshire



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE TOGETHER



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Information
for
businesses

Would you
recognise if
a **child or
Young
Person**
was being
**sexually
exploited?**

CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Can you spot the signs?

Child Sexual Exploitation is a form of sexual abuse. Victims, aged under 18, are manipulated or forced into taking part in a sexual act, either as part of a seemingly consensual relationship, or in return for attention, gifts, money, alcohol, drugs or somewhere to stay.

How does this involve licensed businesses?

As a business you may notice behaviour involving children which seems unusual. Unfortunately, premises can be misused for the grooming of young people either by people socializing or

potentially by staff. Taxis can also be used to transport young people to and from venues where they are sexually exploited.

You are expected to have systems and training in place to safeguard children and young people.

Why is this so important?

Under the Licensing Act 2003, one of the licensing objectives is to protect children from harm. This is a fundamental principle and steps should be taken to uphold this objective and actively promote it.

It is important to remember that taxi drivers can be charged with human trafficking if they intentionally arrange or facilitate the travel of a person for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

What you and your staff should know

Outlined on this flyer are six protection steps which will help to safeguard young people, your staff and your business. They cover what your responsibilities are.

Each step is also a staff training subject. Talk with your staff about spotting the signs of child sexual exploitation, procedures for keeping records and reporting information

PROTECTION STEPS

1. **Spot the signs**

Signs of child sexual exploitation on your premises or within your vehicle could range from young people having older 'boyfriends', dressing or acting older than their age, being given alcohol, drugs, jewellery, money and gadgets and the use of taxis.

2. **Age verification**

Ensure you and your staff know the types of age identification (ID) which are accepted, the signs of a purchase of alcohol or cigarettes made on behalf of a young person, and who to contact if you need advice or to report a concern.

3. **Patrol Records**

Ensure CCTV and patrol records are in place and regularly checked

4. **Incident Logs**

Ensure incident logs are kept and include areas for recording names, descriptions, vehicle registrations, and who to contact if you need advice and support.

5. **Supervision of a vulnerable person**

Make sure you have advice and who to contact if you need support on caring for a vulnerable person, or where to report a concern

6. **Staff training records**

Record staff training which takes place within your premises and include training around these 'protection' steps.