

# **Adult Exploitation Group**

In summary, this group will deliver the strategic direction and oversight for actions to address adult exploitation in the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, including the development and dissemination and appropriate communication materials.

## What do we want this group to achieve? / What is its purpose?

- → Analyse the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on people who are vulnerable to exploitation.
- → Provide a strategic framework response through an agreed multi-agency Exploitation Strategy, to support the work being delivered operationally. The strategy being delivered by the CSP can also be monitored/adopted through the group to build traction with other agencies.
- → Develop a joint response to tackle exploitation themes from a collective multi-agency perspective.
- → Collectively map data on further areas of exploitation and develop a better understanding of exploitation and its impacts locally and nationally.
- → Develop and disseminate information to the community to raise awareness of exploitation and the routes for reporting any concerns.
- → Ensure to make explicit links to the Pan Berkshire Child Exploitation Group

## How are we going to achieve it? (i.e. ground rules)

- → The group will meet approximately every 2 months but this will be kept under review.
- → The group will feedback into the adult and children's safeguarding arrangements through their Executive Steering Groups and Community safety partnership.
- → To ensure continuity and effective functioning of the group, each member is expected to attend all meetings. In the event of an unavoidable absence, a suitable substitute of sufficient seniority should be found and briefed accordingly so their organisation is able to fully contribute to the meeting.
- → Decisions will normally be reached by consensus. In the event of a disagreement, each organisation will have one vote and decisions will be made on the majority view.
- → Members of the group are expected to feedback and implement actions within their own organisation and any other organisations within their lines of communication.

#### Who is responsible for delivering?

Representatives from:

- → RBWM Housing Services, Trading Standards, Community Wardens
- → AFC
- → Thames Valley Police and Health reps
- → School Designated Safeguarding Leads
- → Chair Maria Harrison
- → Optalis

#### What difference will the group make?

- ✓ Greater awareness of exploitation and its impact on individuals through effective information and communication.
- Clear strategic oversight and direction to operational activities to combat exploitation in the borough.