



# STRATEGIC PRIORITY ASSURANCE BOARD

SP 5: WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE,  
INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN EITHER  
VICTIMS OF CRIME OR OFFENDERS, TO  
UNDERSTAND THEIR NEEDS AND PREVENT  
THEM FROM BECOMING INVOLVED IN  
CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

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# Overview

- Very broad range of interactions with children
- Assistance from partners
- ‘Think Family’



# Trends

- Wider vulnerability of children is increasing
  - Looked after children
  - Child Protection plans
  - NEET
  - Missing children
- Child suspects lower than others in region



# SUB-OBJECTIVE 1

THE PCC WILL DEVELOP NEW WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH YOUNG PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY AND USE THIS FEEDBACK TO FURTHER DEVELOP SERVICES



# Interaction and Engagement

- NPCC research
- Children and Young People: Engagement Action Plan 2018-20
- Safer Neighbourhood Teams



# Interaction and Engagement

- Digital Police Community Support Officer
- Dedicated Children and Young People's Communication Plan
- Direct message via Social Media



## SUB-OBJECTIVE 2

THE PCC WILL WORK WITH PARTNERS  
TO ENSURE ADVICE IS FREELY  
AVAILABLE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND  
THEIR FAMILIES ABOUT KEEPING  
THEMSELVES SAFE ONLINE OR USING  
SOCIAL MEDIA, INCLUDING EDUCATION  
AROUND SEXTING, ONLINE  
EXPLOITATION AND CYBER BULLYING

# Online Safety Advice

- Specific support for victims of crime
- Support for general public

**Safety Advice**

- Advice for Victims and Witnesses
- Personal Safety
- Safeguarding Adults
- Safeguarding Children
- Cybercrime & Frauds**
  - Child Sexual Exploitation
  - Social Media Safety
  - Cyberbullying
  - Mobile Device Safety

## Social Media Safety

Updating your Twitter status? Checking in on Facebook? Sending photos on Snapchat? Replying to Whatsapp messages? Following celebrities on Instagram? The list is endless.

Social media has quickly become a global phenomenon which allows billions of people from around the world to easily keep in touch and share experiences through photographs, videos and even web chats.

However, as we put more and more about our lives online, we can be making ourselves vulnerable to cybercriminals.

Here are Get Safe Online's top guidelines for enjoying social media safely:

### Privacy Shortcuts

- Who can see my stuff?
- Who can contact me?
- How do I stop someone from bothering me?



# Online Safety Advice

- CEOP Ambassadors
- Online training for all officers
- Inputs to schools



# SUB-OBJECTIVE 3

THE PCC WILL WORK WITH PARTNERS  
TO SUPPORT THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE  
WHO HAVE BEEN A VICTIM OF SEXUAL  
EXPLOITATION



# Supporting CSE Victims

- Specific support for individuals
- Increase in establishment
- Multi-agency management



# SUB-OBJECTIVE 4

THE PCC WILL CONTINUE TO  
COMMISSION A SPECIALITY SERVICE  
TO SUPPORT VICTIMS OF CRIME WHO  
ARE UNDER 18



# Specific Victim Support

- Commissioned service
- Tailored to youth



# SUB-OBJECTIVE 5

THE PCC WILL SUPPORT  
DIVERSIONARY ACTIVITY, SUCH AS  
SPORT, TO PREVENT YOUNG PEOPLE  
ENGAGING IN ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR  
OR CRIMINAL ACTIVITY



# Diversionary Work

- ‘The Right Road’
- Achieving results
- Learning lessons



# RISKS AND THREATS

- Increase in CSE
- CRE
- Engagement
- Technology



# CONCLUSION

- Vulnerable children are the responsibility of all
- We must continue to improve