

**Honour-based abuse** (including Female Genital Mutilation and Forced Marriage) encompasses incidents or crimes which have been committed to protect or defend the honour of the family and/or the community, including female genital mutilation (FGM), forced marriage, and practices such as breast ironing.

**FGM** comprises all procedures involving partial or total removal of the external female genitalia or other injury to the female genital organs. It is illegal in the UK and a form of child abuse with long-lasting harmful consequences.

**Staff must personally report to the police cases where they discover that an act of FGM appears to have been carried out**

### **Forced marriage**

Forcing a person into a marriage is a crime in England and Wales. A forced marriage is one entered into without the full and free consent of one or both parties .

**If you have concerns for a child for any reason contact North Lincolnshire's Children's Services Single Point of Contact on:**

- **01724 296500 office hours**
- **01724 2965555 (answerphone – out of office hours email [imap@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:imap@northlincs.gov.uk))**
- **101 – Police non-emergency**
- **999 – Police emergency**

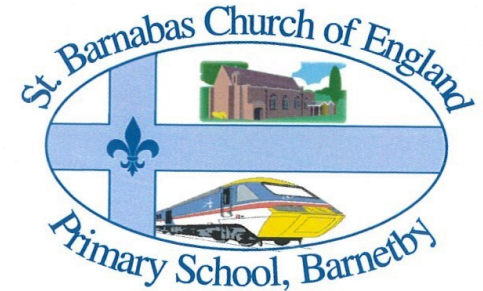
### **Preventing radicalisation**

Children may be susceptible to extremist ideology and radicalisation. Concerns about a learner who you think may be susceptible to radicalisation into terrorism can be referred to **Prevent** by the DSL/DDSL

- **Extremism** is the vocal or active opposition to our fundamental values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and the mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. This also includes calling for the death of members of the armed forces.
- **Radicalisation** refers to the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups.
- **Terrorism** is an action that endangers or causes serious violence to a person/people; causes serious damage to property; or seriously interferes or disrupts an electronic system.
- **Channel** is a voluntary, confidential support programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being susceptible to being drawn into terrorism.
- **Report to** [ctp-em-prevent-referral@lincs.police.uk](mailto:ctp-em-prevent-referral@lincs.police.uk) or call 101 and ask for the Prevent Team

**Trust Hope Forgiveness Peace Thankfulness**

**Compassion Perseverance Friendship Love**



### **Safeguarding Advice**

**Remember, it could happen here!**

*Building on our shared and inclusive Christian values, we will work in unity to unlock the potential of all in our community to enable them to flourish. We will equip all to embrace opportunity and to seek positive transformation in the world.*

## What to do if a child makes a disclosure

### Receive:

Listen to what is being said without displaying shock or disbelief. Accept what is being said without judgement. Take it seriously

### Reassure:

Reassure the child

- Don't make promises that you can't be sure to keep, e.g. "everything will be all right now".
- Reassure the child that they did nothing wrong
- Don't promise confidentiality. You have a duty to report your concerns.
- Tell the child that you will need to tell some people.
- Acknowledge how difficult it must have been to talk.

### React:

- Listen quietly, carefully and patiently. Do not assume anything – don't speculate or jump to conclusions.
- Do not investigate, interrogate or decide if the child is telling the truth
- Ask open questions like "Is there anything else that you want to tell me?"
- Do not ask the child to repeat what they have told you to another member of staff.
- Refer directly to DSL or Deputy DSL
- Do not discuss the case with anyone outside the child protection team.

### Record:

Make some very brief notes at the time and record them on CPOMS in detail as soon as possible.

Do not destroy your original notes in case they are required by Court.

Record the date, time, place, words used by the child and how the child appeared to you – be specific. Record the actual words used; including any swear words or slang.

Record statements and observable things, not your interpretations or assumptions – **keep it factual.**

## Child-on-child sexual violence and sexual harassment

Sexual violence and sexual harassment can occur between two or more children of any age and sex. It can take place online

We have a zero-tolerance approach to sexual violence and sexual harassment, it is never acceptable, and it will not be tolerated. It should never be passed off as "banter", "just having a laugh" or "a part of growing up".

### Child-on-child abuse

- Children can abuse other children at any age (often referred to as child-on-child abuse).
- It can happen both inside and outside of school or college and online

### Child abduction

- Child abduction is the unauthorised removal or retention of a minor from a parent or anyone with legal responsibility for the child.
- Child abduction can be committed by parents or other family members; by people known but not related to the victim (such as neighbours, friends and acquaintances); and by strangers .

## Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE) and Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

- Different forms of harm often overlap, and perpetrators may subject children and young people to multiple forms of abuse
- Children can be exploited by adult males or females, as individuals or in groups. They may also be exploited by other children

### Indicators of both child criminal and sexual exploitation can be that children:

- Appear with unexplained gifts, money or new possessions

- Associate with other children involved in exploitation
- Suffer from changes in emotional well-being.
- Misuse alcohol and other drugs.
- Go missing for periods of time or regularly come home late.
- Regularly miss school or education or do not take part in.

**County lines** is a form of CCE and is a term used to describe gangs and organised criminal networks involved in exporting illegal drugs using dedicated mobile phone lines or other forms of "deal lines".

- This activity can happen locally as well as across the UK - children and vulnerable adults are exploited to move, store and sell drugs and money.
- Offenders will often use coercion, intimidation, violence (including sexual violence) and weapons to ensure compliance of victims.

**Cybercrime** is criminal activity committed using computers and/or the internet

**Modern Slavery** encompasses human trafficking and slavery, servitude and forced or compulsory labour. Exploitation can take many forms, including sexual exploitation, forced labour, slavery, servitude, forced criminality and the removal of organs.