



IF IT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT – TELL SOME YOU TRUST... Teacher, youth worker, adult family relative, parents or

Childline: 0800 1111

Wiltshire Police: 101 – For Help and Advice

Wiltshire Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH): 0300 4560 108

Wiltshire Police: 999 – If You or A Friend Is in Immediate Danger

Wiltshire Safeguarding Children Board

Most victims are female.

Male victims are more likely to come to the attention of authorities because of offending behaviour.

Male children are more commonly being criminally exploited first as a precursor to sexual abuse.

The age of offenders is reducing and a third of offenders in Wiltshire and Swindon were aged 10-17 indicating an increase in peer abuse.

The majority of cases in Wiltshire involved the exchange of images and in the main, offenders didn't hide their identity or conceal their motivation.

Request for indecent images or the sending of indecent materials occurred almost immediately. In the majority of cases victims were fully aware that they were communicating with an adult.

Youth produced sexual imagery (YPSI) or sexting is a significant concern, with females more likely to generate sexual images of themselves to send.

There may be some difference in how male and female victims are groomed.

Boys estranged from home tend to be much more practical, therefore grooming tactics often involve money.

The grooming process for these boys lacks emotions.

Whereas girls are far more likely to be groomed with promises of love and affection.

Victims and Offenders

What Is CSA?

CSA - Wiltshire Messages

Online CSA

Gaming & Social Media

Grooming

What Is CSE?

The Link Between Drugs and CSA

If you are forced or persuaded to take part in sexual activity this is known as **Child Sexual Abuse (CSA)**. CSA doesn't have to be physical contact, and it can happen online.

There are 2 different types of child sexual abuse; contact abuse and non-contact abuse.

If someone offers you money, gifts or attention in return for sex or sexual activities, this is known as **Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)**. Those gifts might be anything from a new handbag to mobile phones, a place to stay, drugs or alcohol. **CSE is a form of abuse. CSE can happen to anyone – both boys and girls.**

In Wiltshire there is recurrent theme of older males returning to schools they used to attend to associate with younger children, who become their pool of customers to deal drugs to.

Boys are more likely to be targeted through chat facilities within online gaming apps.

There has been an increase in the number of children presenting themselves online as older than they are, which many offenders have used as a defence.

Facebook...remains the most prevalent social media tool involved in online grooming. However, Snapchat and Instagram were particularly evident within peer grooming.