

## For help and support on CSE contact:

- For immediate attention call the police on 999
- If you have information that may help the Police, contact your local police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

## Hounslow Children's Services

- 020 8583 6600 (Option 1) (Monday - Thursday 9.00am - 5.00pm and Friday 9.00am - 4.45pm)
- 020 8583 2222 (out of hours and weekends)
- Visit [www.hounslow.gov.uk/cse](http://www.hounslow.gov.uk/cse)
- Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) - [www.ceop.police.uk](http://www.ceop.police.uk)
- Childline - 0800 111 or visit [www.childline.org.uk/Pages/Home.aspx](http://www.childline.org.uk/Pages/Home.aspx) for help and advice.
- PACE - provides parents with direct support and gives opportunities to speak or meet with other parents [www.paceuk.info](http://www.paceuk.info)
- Parents Project - online resource Parents sharing advice to other parents on what they can do to manage behaviours and what they wish they had known. [www.parentproject.com](http://www.parentproject.com)
- NSPCC can be contacted 24/7 for help and advice on 0808 800 5000 or visit <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

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immediate danger call  
999 and talk to the  
police.

# Child Sexual Exploitation



**WARNING SIGNS FOR PARENTS, CARERS  
AND PROFESSIONALS**

## What is Child Sexual Exploitation?

Child Sexual Exploitation is a form of child sexual abuse. It is when someone uses a child (anyone under 18 years) by giving them money, gifts, food, alcohol, accommodation, power and/or status in exchange for them engaging in sexual activities. Children or young people may be **tricked** into believing they're in a loving, consensual relationship. They might be invited to parties and given drugs and alcohol. People who do this want young people to think they are a friend, or a boyfriend or girlfriend.

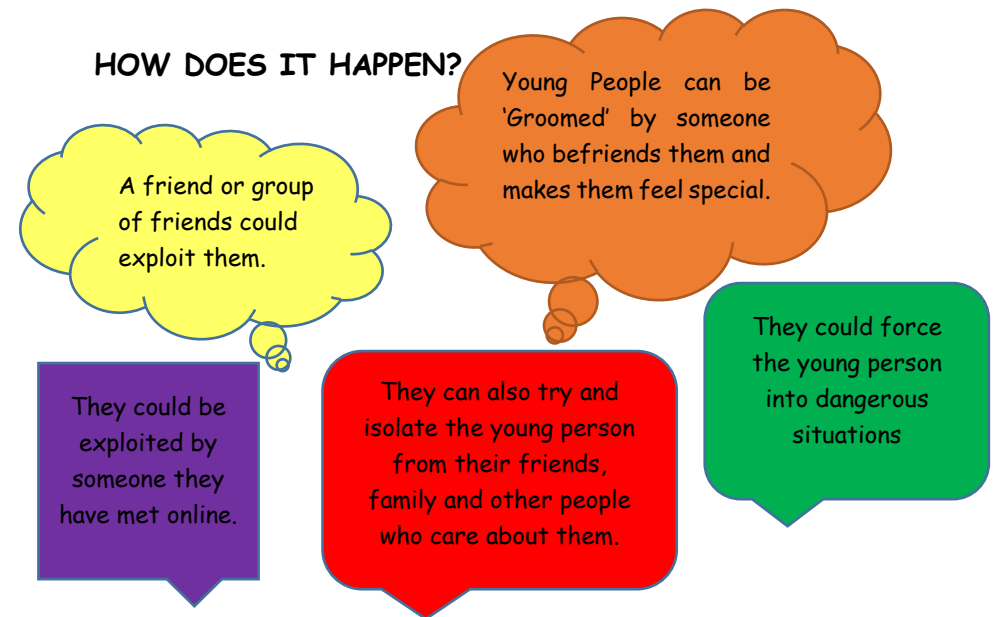
- Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) happens to boys and girls.
- Child Sexual Exploitation can be really hard to spot.
- It happens to children from all communities.
- It happens to children of any age, especially in the 11-18 age range. But can also happen to younger children.
- Child Sexual Exploitation can happen to vulnerable adults too.

The child is vulnerable. They may be asked to do something that makes them feel uncomfortable. It is **not** their fault. This is sexual exploitation and it is a crime.

## A Young Person you know might be;

- Going missing for short periods of time or even days
- Having expensive things bought for them that are unexplained
- Staying out late and whereabouts being unknown.
- Distancing themselves from family and friends
- Changing behaviour like becoming withdrawn or aggressive
- Sexualised behaviour such as touching people inappropriately
- Being picked up by people you don't know
- A change in their performance at school or college
- Starting or increasing alcohol or drug use

## HOW DOES IT HAPPEN?



## WHAT CAN I DO TO PROTECT YOUNG PEOPLE?

- Stay alert to changes in behaviours or any physical signs of abuse
- Be aware of new, unexplained gifts or money.
- Make sure you understand the risks associated with young people online and putting measures in place to minimise these risks.
- Ensure you know who to contact if you have concerns. Do not ignore the signs.
- Make sure children are aware of risks online and only talk to people they know.
- Think of ways that you might be able to help young people to share information if they are worried about their own or another young person's situation.

**YOU NEED TO BE AWARE OF THE WARNING SIGNS SO YOU CAN EDUCATE YOUNG PEOPLE.**

