

**Section 10(1)(e) Recommendation Record**

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We have identified organisational learning for South Yorkshire Police and make the recommendation below.

<b>Reference</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2014/040112/013	<p>The IOPC recommends South Yorkshire Police considers how it can assess and demonstrate the impact of action taken to address issues in handling child sexual exploitation. This should include how they understand whether actions have achieved the intended effect and considering how they inform the community of progress made to help improve public awareness and confidence.</p> <p><b>South Yorkshire Police Response:</b></p> <p>The force is constantly looking at ways in which it can improve the trust and confidence the public has in its ability to tackle Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), rape and serious sexual offences. The most recent</p>

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HMICFRS independent inspection assessed the force as 'good' at Protecting Vulnerable People (PVP). The current PVP review will deliver improvements in the way the force investigates all serious sexual offences including rape and CSE and the current work ongoing to improve our response to rape has victim engagement and support as one of its key pillars.

The success of this work will be measured not only through the successful prosecutions secured through these improvements but will also be assessed through our proactive preventative work and through surveys with victims. These surveys will request feedback on how well victims have been dealt with by the force and the agencies supporting it. Victim feedback will be key to monitoring the success of our improvements and this feedback will be obtained directly and through commissioned services such as Independent Sexual Violence Advisors.

The Head of Professional Standards is working collaboratively with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner implementing a process to monitor all public complaints including those relating to CSE. This will ensure that learning is captured, recorded and actioned. This is reported directly into the Organisational Learning Board chaired by The Deputy Chief Constable.

The force is held to account via the Public Accountability Board where it is periodically required to report specifically on CSE. This links directly with our delivery plan on Violence Against Women and Girls. The force media team run regular updates on CSE particularly relating to the successful prosecution of CSE perpetrators. Through a campaign called 'Don't be Exposed', the force uses SnapChat to focus on parents of young people, warning them of the signs of exploitation. The force has a public facing web page on CSE:

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	<p><a href="https://www.southyorks.police.uk/find-out/crime-prevention-advice/child-sexual-exploitation/">https://www.southyorks.police.uk/find-out/crime-prevention-advice/child-sexual-exploitation/</a>. This is regularly updated with news, advice and guidance for the public. The media team are planning a new campaign this year focussing on vulnerability. A large part of this will be on CSE, highlighting early signs of CSE and CCE (Child Criminal Exploitation) encouraging the public to take action and make reports to police.</p>
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