

Contextual Safeguarding People Scrutiny

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Definition

A developing approach to safeguarding children at risk of extra-familial abuse, including child sexual exploitation, criminal exploitation, trafficking, radicalisation, hate crime, bullying and online abuse.

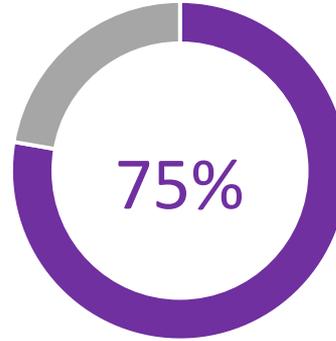
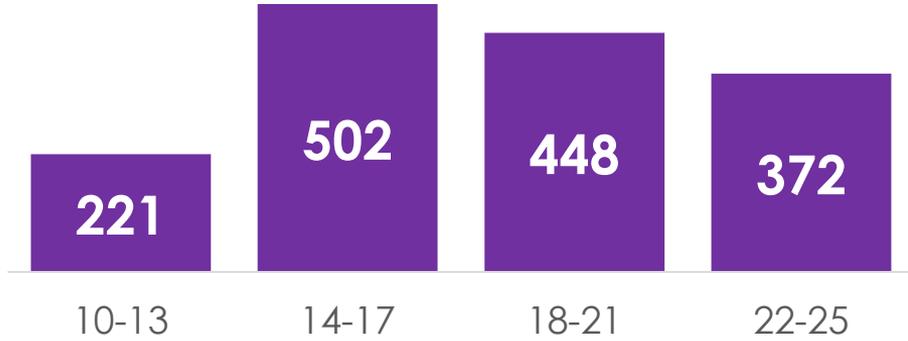
Safeguarding includes peer groups, locations, neighbourhoods and school environments where harm happens rather than focussing on the individual in their family context.

Working nationally and with partners

- Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse – CSE strand
- Building on best practice and learning locally: Operation Brooke, Contextual Safeguarding Scale Up Projects with Bedfordshire University
- Safer Options developed as a response to Serious Youth Violence and Criminal Exploitation
- Operation Topaz: police led response to Child Sexual Exploitation, expanding to include Criminal Exploitation

Offender Demographics

Age Breakdown



Male

Offence type (past 12 months)

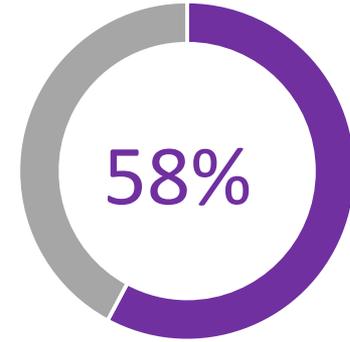
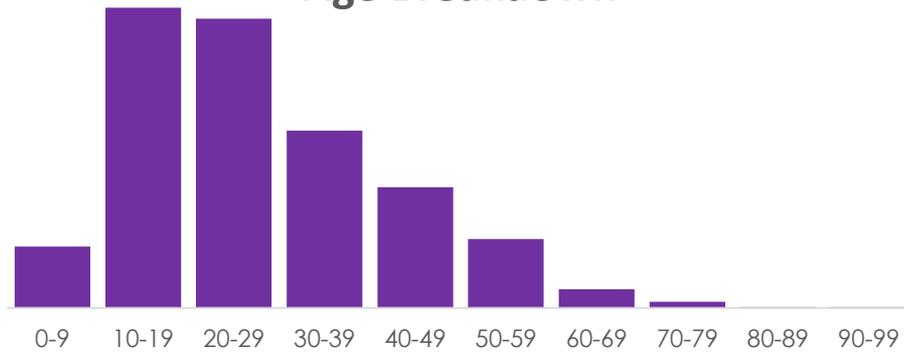
- Violence Without Injury (+14%)
- Robbery Personal Property (+28%)

Ethnicity



Victim Demographics

Age Breakdown



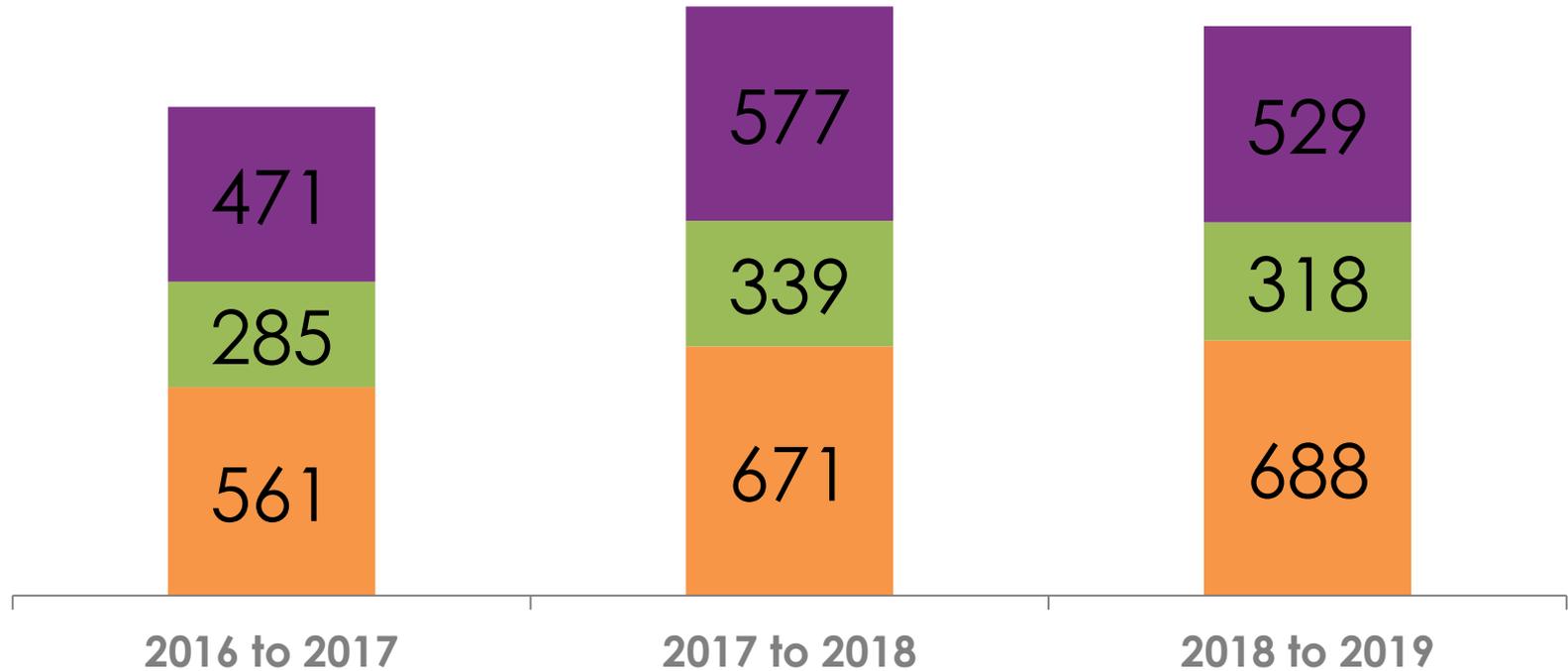
Male/Female

Ethnicity

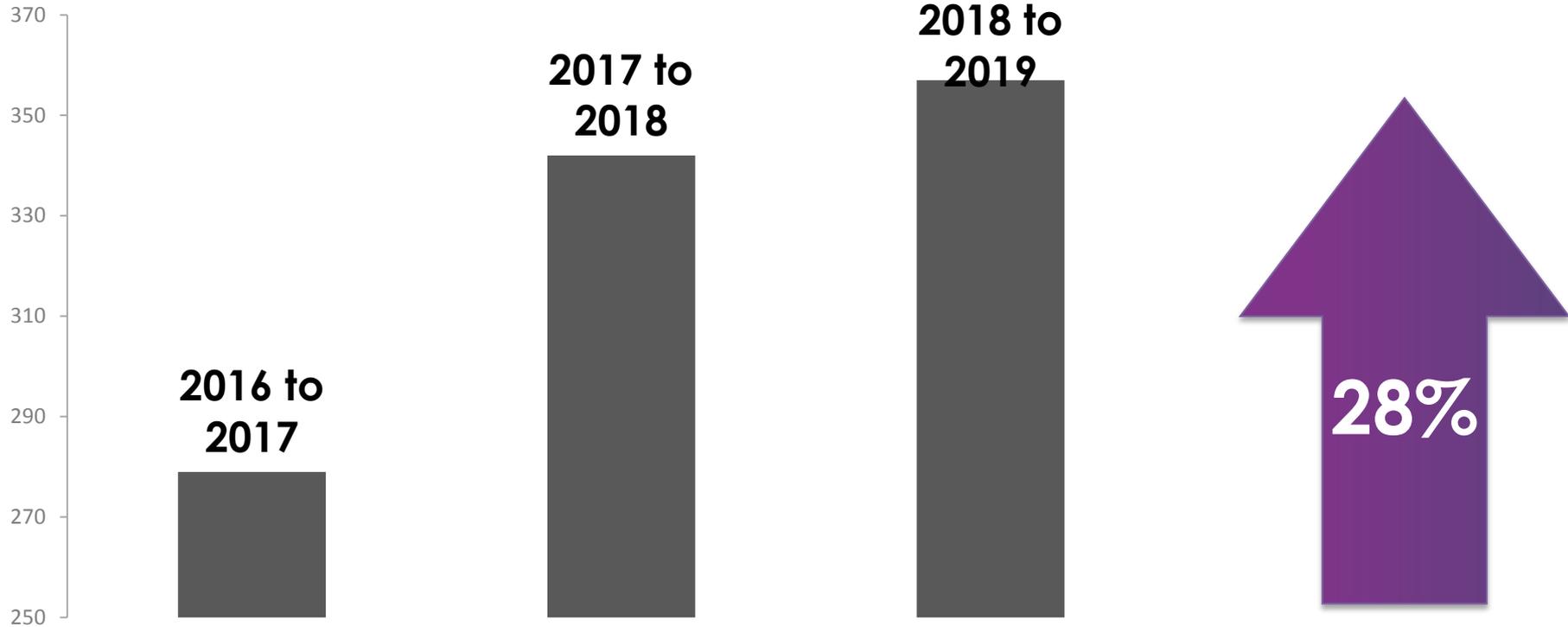


Local Police Area Breakdown

East & Central North South



Weapon Tagged Offences



Analysis of 120 young offenders social factors



Indicator	Individual	Families
Crime	100%	85%
School attendance	74%	79%
Children needing help	87%	83%
Financial exclusion	50%	73%
Domestic abuse	32%	63%
Health	38%	58%

Early messages from the community

Understanding &
breaking the cycle
of low
expectations/
education

Young people
need
Someone to talk
to in the
community for
advice

More work with
community,
families and non-
statutory groups to
identify those
genuinely in need
of intervention

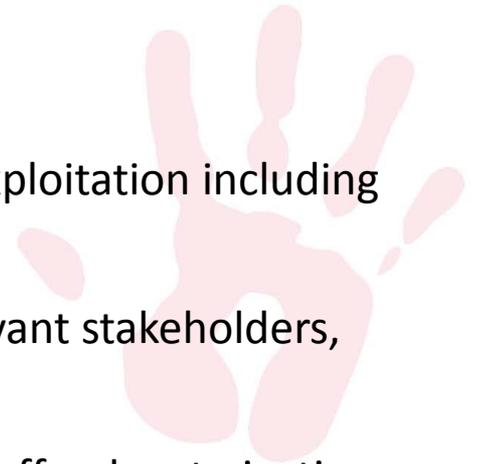
Investment in
the community

We need more
Male role
models

More focus
on early
intervention

Aims – Safer Options Team Development

- To ensure a comprehensive understanding of child criminal exploitation including who is involved and where it is taking place.
- To gather intelligence about serious youth crime from all relevant stakeholders, including the community.
- To take a partnership approach to disrupting crime and bring offenders to justice.
- To protect vulnerable people from knife crime.
- To engage all our communities in playing a more active role
- To raise awareness with the public and all relevant professionals.
- To work with all relevant stakeholders including the private sector.
- To support the development of appropriate rehabilitative interventions.



Our approach – to be developed

ECHO Emerging cohort professional judgement

Known social issues think family database

Predictive analytics risk and vulnerability indicators

Identification of 'At risk' cohort

Proactive Response

Family

- Proactive engagement
- Lead professional
- Whole family working
- Team around family multi-agency
- Trauma recovery approach
- Individualised family outcome plan

Agency/Vol sector

- Focus on education offer
- Coordinated response
- Build diversionary capacity
- Support community response
- Police enforcement/intelligence/disruption

Community

- Community leaders and elder led response
- Community led mentoring
- Positive support to families
- Diversion and engagement activities
- Identified role models

To date:

- 182 interventions with 107 children across the city.
- 207 children have been discussed to ensure adequate support in place
- Joining up intelligence across Council/Police systems:
 - 64 most vulnerable
 - 38 in vulnerable cohort
 - 93 cause for concern
- Supporting existing networks and delivering enhancements where required:
 - 7 community mentors and 16 young people matched (3 more completing their training)
 - working with educational providers to ensure appropriate education provision
 - Joint work with voluntary sector organisations
 - Preparation for mentoring and support to engage - 8 young people. 3 more mentors are completing their training and will soon be working with young people
 - Targeted group work sessions, including work with the 24's (gang), a young women's group and a GRT group



Operation Topaz – Andri Nicolaou A&S Police

- **Intelligence and data led**
 - **Disruption of perpetrators**
 - **Support to victims**
 - **Recognised as innovative model of best practice (National Working Group 2018)**
 - **Outreach work – Prevention and Coordination Officer**
 - Proactively seeking out “hidden” victims, building relationships and trust with professionals and with children, gaining intelligence and submitting intelligence reports, raising awareness and providing training.
 - Targeting the kinds of groups, institutions and locations where victimisation is most likely to be occurring, or where professionals are well placed to identify children at risk and victims.
 - Door to door awareness about Child Exploitation
 - Delivering formal training and awareness raising to help equip professionals to recognise the risks and warning signs, and to report their concerns.
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Operation Topaz – Andri Nicolaou A&S Police

- **Outreach work – Prevention and Coordination**
 - 1 January 2019 to 4 September 2019:
 - training for 210 non-police professionals in Bristol
 - awareness raising for in excess of 500 night-time economy workers and establishment owners in the City
 - awareness raising for 628 school students in Bristol.
 - 2018:
 - training and awareness in Bristol for schools safeguarding leads; staff at a residential home for adolescent boys; staff at a community residential resource and activity centre; staff at a specialist gangs and youth violence unit, CSE and CCE services in Bristol; as well as night time economy workers in pubs and clubs.
 - Noted challenge of engaging independent children’s homes providers.
 - Working across city boundaries and into the wider Force Area
 - Forthcoming events with Health and working with specific BAME groups to raise awareness of Child Exploitation.
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