

# Stretford High Safeguarding Update

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# Headlines

## Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

- (CSE) is a type of sexual abuse. Children in exploitative situations and relationships receive something such as gifts, money or affection as a result of performing sexual activities or others performing sexual activities on them. It is often described as '**grooming**' whereby a young person is tricked into thinking they are in a safe and happy relationship or situation, when in fact, they are being abused.
- **CSE is never the victim's fault**, even if there is some form of exchange: all children and young people under the age of 18 have a right to be safe and should be protected from harm.

# Grooming

Targeting

- Find a young person through the internet, through friends or family, or through meeting on the street or in school. Often look for someone who has a vulnerability.

Befriending

- Make young person feel safe, feel connected and supported. Often start to isolate young person from other sources of support

Relationship

- Make the young person have feelings for them, sometimes feel like they are in love.

Abuse

[Follow this link to watch a video about Grooming](#)

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# Why do you need to know this?

- CSE *is* something that is happening in our school and all across Greater Manchester
- Roughly 5% of 11-17 year old children (1 in 20) had ever experienced contact abuse. This equates to approximately 220,000 children or on average, around 50 children in each state-funded secondary school in England and Wales in 2014

# Challenging Gender Bias

## [Reduce the gender gap video](#)

There has been a lot of interest and effort put into attracting more women into engineering and the physical sciences. [Unless we address this at secondary-school level](#), where the first major 'opt out' occurs, a better gender balance further down the line is going to be impossible to achieve.

We need to encourage and enable our students to engage in all subjects, including girls going onto STEM and boys being involved in the arts.

# Resources and research

- <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/child-sexual-exploitation/>
- [https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/591903/CS E Guidance Core Document 13.02.2017.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/591903/CS_E_Guidance_Core_Document_13.02.2017.pdf)
- <https://edtechnology.co.uk/Article/gender-bias-in-stem-an-analysis>