

Modern Day Slavery and Exploitation Protocol

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WHY?

- ▶ Modern Day Slavery Act 2015 passes a duty to all Local Authorities to be 'First Responders'
- ▶ Monmouthshire Officers and Members need to recognise and know how to respond and how to refer for specialist support and advice
- ▶ Monmouthshire has developed sound process and practice with partners across Gwent in relation to Child Sexual Exploitation and recognises that the exploitation of vulnerable children and Adults needs a unified response
- ▶ A coordinated approach will ensure appropriate protection for children and adults, help disrupt location based anti social activity, support the Police in criminal investigation, and support our communities.

HOW?

- ▶ Clarity of language, legislative requirements, process and practice
- ▶ Identification of MDS Champions
- ▶ To enlist support for national and Gwent wide services
- ▶ To train Monmouthshire Officers, Members and volunteers

TRAINING

- ▶ Corporate Basic Awareness Training for all staff and to become part of Corporate Induction
- ▶ Training of Designated Safeguarding Leads (Champions) across the authority
- ▶ Training for elected Members
- ▶ Training of Managers and Senior Practitioners of Children and Adult Service Teams and Public Protection Officers provided by the Safeguarding Unit and Gwent Missing Children's Team
- ▶ Support for National Referral Mechanism (NRM), Specialist Training, and individual case discussion provided by MDS and Trafficking Co-ordination team (Gwent Police)

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