



The National Child Sexual Exploitation Group Terms of Reference

Broad purpose of the group	<p>The National Child Sexual Exploitation Group will work with the Scottish Government on implementation of the National Action Plan to Prevent and Tackle Child Sexual Exploitation and also develop proposals for policy and practice improvement in relation to the Action Plan and within the wider context of Child Sexual Abuse.</p> <p>It is accountable, in the interim, to the Scottish Government's External Advisory Group, under the Child Protection Improvement Programme and will also provide updates at Child Protection Committees Scotland (CPC Scotland) meetings.</p>
Context	<p>In response to the Public Petitions Committee inquiry into Child Sexual Exploitation in Scotland, a Ministerial Working Group on Child Sexual Exploitation was established and it was tasked to examine the issue of Child Sexual Exploitation and to develop a National Action Plan, by examining the recommendations from the Public Petitions Committee alongside their own expertise in child protection. A National Working Group was established, to support the Ministerial Working Group.</p> <p>A National Action Plan to Prevent and Tackle Child Sexual Exploitation was published in 2014 and updated in March 2016.</p> <p>The National Working Group was given a clear steer by Minister in September 2016, when he wrote to members of the Ministerial Working Group thanking them for their input and dedication to this issue to date, advising he had made a decision to bring the group to a close. His decision was based on the fact that the National Action Plan to Prevent and Tackle Child Sexual Exploitation was in its second iteration, with a clear focus and direction, and he now wished the National Working Group to assume the role of monitoring implementation.</p>
Membership	<p>Membership of the Group has been drawn from organisations which advise, deliver or support improvement in child protection practices and services in Scotland.</p>
Remit of Group	<p>The key aims of the group are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategically oversee the actions in the National CSE Action Plan• Routinely review progress, in light of developed indicators and the group's objectives and annually report on progress, making recommendations for improvement when appropriate• Share knowledge across CPCs and locally between services



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise awareness of the issues and build on local knowledge • Promote understanding and expertise • Coordinate information on research and developments in policy and training and models of working • Act as a reference point for consultations or comment on CSE • Formulate suggestions and proposals as to how improvements can take place within the wider existing and developing social policy agenda in Scotland • Raise awareness through national professional networks
<p>Role and responsibilities of members</p>	<p>All Members are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend quarterly meetings • Bring their knowledge and expertise to inform work on child sexual child exploitation • Provide constructive challenge, support and advice to the Scottish Government • Consult with colleagues in their organisations, and where relevant, other organisations, before and after meetings of the Group • Identify any risks and issues which impact on the delivery of actions and to propose actions for mitigating and resolving these • Actively contribute to the group and feedback emerging themes to their own agency and stakeholders, at a local level • Participate in short life working groups to progress specific pieces of work when required • Progress action between meetings, independently of the group or in partnership with members and/or other agency representatives, when appropriate <p>Certain individuals and organisations will also have specific responsibilities and these are described below.</p>
<p>Chairperson</p>	<p>The Chairperson will provide leadership to the Group and is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairing the meetings and ensuring that they are kept to time • Ensuring full participation • Ensuring discussions are focused • Ensuring required actions/tasks are agreed and allocated appropriately • Ensuring that actions are completed • Submitting update reports and recommendations to the Scottish Government
<p>Scottish Government</p>	<p>Representatives from Scottish Government Child Protection Policy team will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide secretariat to the National Working Group • Support the Chair with regard to the strategic direction of the group and in their role • Progressing actions, by working in partnership with sub-group members



	<p>and others, as appropriate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop and maintain a CSE page on the Scottish Government website • Ensure coherence with other relevant Scottish Government policy and legislative developments and ensure the Group is kept up to date with these developments • Ensure interests across Scottish Government are fully informed of action in relation to tackling child sexual exploitation
CELCIS	<p>CELCIS will bring issues/comments from the other national groups that they support* that are relevant to the National Group and will give feedback to those groups, as appropriate.</p> <p>Relevant information will be shared and the potential for cross cutting work will be shared with other CPCScotland sub groups which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CP and disability network • CP Learning and Development group • ADP/CPC group • Public Awareness and Advisory Group • Neglect sub group <p>*This will be revised as longer term plans for the support of CPC Scotland become known.</p>
Frequency of meetings	<p>The National Child Sexual Exploitation Group will meet quarterly and will be scheduled to link with the meetings of CPC Scotland in order to provide regular updates to this group.</p> <p>Members will lead on short life working groups and meet outwith this, if involved in progressing actions from the work plan.</p>
Governance	<p>The National Child Sexual Exploitation Group is accountable to the Scottish Government's Child Protection Improvement Programme, via the External Advisory Group in the interim, whilst wider governance is decided upon by Ministers. The group will also provide updates to CPCScotland, via the chair, who will provide progress updates on quarterly basis at every meeting as a standing agenda item.</p>



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