

KSCP Safeguarding Briefing

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WY Police — #GiveSafeGifts Campaign Launching Today



Keeping Your Child Safe Online — The #GiveSafeGifts campaign is being launched today to tie in with Black Friday, when a lot of people will be buying electronic items for Christmas and will be aimed at parents and carers of young people to encourage them to set the security and privacy settings on gifts such as tablets, mobile phone and games consoles, before giving them as Christmas gifts. Messages from WY Police in relation to the campaign will be shared on social media. For further information about the campaign go to the WY Police webpage:

www.westyorkshire.police.uk/GiveSafeGifts where you will also find further information about:

- Buying a mobile phone for a child or giving them your old mobile
- Parental Controls
- Social Networks
- Gaming
- Talking to your child about staying safe online
- How to report an online concern and much more

Free Kooth Virtual Support Offer Information Session for all Secondary Schools and Colleges in Kirklees

Kooth is an online counselling and emotional well-being service for children and young people, available free at the point of access.

Kooth is hosting a free information session on **Tuesday 24th Nov at 4.30pm-5.30pm** for all Secondary School and College staff to find out information about the current Kooth Virtual Support Offer of free workshops, assemblies and staff training.

Please feel free to share the link below, to any contacts you have in Secondary Schools and Colleges in Kirklees.

If you are a staff member in a Kirklees Secondary School or College, you can see more information and sign up to the session here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/129710857667>

Please see the Kooth information sheet which has been uploaded alongside the newsletter for further information about the service.

WY Police—Domestic Abuse Campaign

The police have launched a new domestic abuse campaign on Wednesday, to tie in with the start of the 16 Days of Action Against Domestic Abuse.

The campaign will look specifically at financial control and will target older people who may be victims of this. It will also aim to encourage third party reporting.

Thanks was extended to those who took the time to feed back on the design ideas, and shared them across their contacts. Some useful responses and comments have been taken on board in order to create the final designs.

Please can you support and share the campaign for which the artwork has been uploaded alongside the newsletter in the format of A4 posters.

A press release, caption video, social media messages and webpage can be seen on the website – www.westyorkshire.police.uk/ElderAbuse

With the funding from the VRU, the campaign will also be distributed via the following –

- Adverts on Pulse radio
- Facebook ads targeting over 65s
- Adverts in the Yorkshire Post
- Digital adverts on Gransnet website
- Adverts on websites targeting over 65s – those who search for topics such as grandparents, pensions, retirement, etc.

Kirklees Council—New Kickstart Scheme

Kirklees Council is backing the new Kickstart scheme to create job placements for 16-24 year olds at risk of long-term unemployment.

Kickstart will pay for a 6-month work placement – National Minimum Wage – for 25 hours per week, up until December 2021. The council has registered as a 'gateway' organisation to support local employers who wish to participate. As an employer we can also lead by example by offering Kickstart placements.

Young people participating in the Kirklees Kickstart programme will receive wrap-around package of training and support to ensure their wellbeing, and equip them with the skills they need to achieve a successful placement.

Cllr Shabir Pandor, Leader of Kirklees Council, said:

“Kickstart is a great opportunity for both young people and local employers to create something positive out of the COVID-19 pandemic. We know that young people in particular are bearing the brunt of unemployment and the Council, with our partners, will play our part in ensuring that the virus does not impact their longer-term career prospects.

I would encourage you to support the scheme and get involved to help our young people to move into employment at this challenging time. A support package will be available for line managers.

You can express your interest using this link [Expression of Interest Form](#)

If you need further details before deciding we are holding briefing sessions, to book a place please click [briefing session dates](#)

Call for Evidence and Action RE: Addressing the Root Causes of Serious Violence and Exploitation of Young People

Do you work with young people aged between 11-25 in West Yorkshire? If the answer is yes, we would like to hear from you.

The West Yorkshire VRU, the West Yorkshire and Harrogate Health and Care Partnership and Care Partnership and Crest Advisory are embarking on new research designed to understand and how we can address the root causes of serious violence and exploitation of young people. The research will seek to explore how the following factors impact a young person's vulnerability to serious violence:

1. The determinants of health and health inequalities
2. Self-worth and autonomy
3. The economic and social impacts of COVID-19 (namely increased inequalities in and between different population groups)
4. The specific challenges facing women and girls

To ensure that the research is as impactful as possible, they would like to speak with community group leaders, youth workers, youth club organisers, and others who are engaged with young people from a variety of socioeconomic backgrounds and ethnic groups in West Yorkshire who can act as a representative.

They are looking to interview representatives of young people for our research, but also to listen to your ideas about how best to incorporate the voices of the young people in West Yorkshire. Ultimately, through these conversations they will aim to understand the experiences of young people relating to health, social inequalities, the COVID period, and serious youth violence.

If you are in contact with young people in West Yorkshire and feel as though you can represent their voices, please contact madeline.rolfe@crestadvisory.com for further details.

Free Online Mental Health Event—Wednesday 2nd December

Below is information from Happy Valley Pride about an exciting free event they are running on the 2nd December from 7.00pm–8.15pm on Facebook.

Join Happy Valley Pride for this special panel session looking at mental health from an LGBTQ+ perspective. Find out more about how to improve your resiliency, how to stay connected and engaged and how mental health connects with fitness, nutrition and general wellbeing. Hear from a range of experts and champions. Share your experiences and stories. Stay connected and be part of the conversation.

The panel will include:

- Host, Kate O'Donnell, trans performer, activist and patron of Happy Valley Pride.
- Carl Harrison of CAMP FIT, yoga teacher, choreographer and performer.
- Lydia Pignataro of Barnardo's Positive Identities.
- Occupational Health Therapist Sally McCabe of South West Yorkshire Partnership Foundation Trust.
- Sarah from Sarah Long Mental Health & Wellbeing.
- Malcolm from Malcolm Struthers Hypnotherapy.

To join the Mind Your Head – LGBTQ+ Mental Health Panel on Facebook, click [here](#).

PCC Youth Advisory Group Recruitment

The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is looking for **young people aged 13-21** from across West Yorkshire to join his Youth Advisory Group (YAG).

The group gives young people the opportunity to express their views and opinions on local policing matters and gives them a more active say in how they are policed in West Yorkshire. The group Provides opportunities to take part in new initiatives and improve and enhance relationships between young people, the PCC and the Police, and **it looks great on your CV!**

What does it include?

- Meeting 4 times per year – usually on a Saturday morning, via Skype currently, but usually across venues in West Yorkshire
- Sharing their personal knowledge, opinions and experience of community issues within the group
- Provide advice to us to help the PCC improve policing and make sure people are safer and feel safer
- Take part in workshops and learn about key policing topics included in the police and crime plan

Posters have been uploaded alongside this newsletter containing further information on YAG.

Step 2 — Talking Taboos Workshop

Step 2 are delighted to announce their latest Talking Taboos Workshop on 'Pornography and The Impact on Children & Young People'. This online CPD training session is specifically focused on working with children from Year 5 upwards on Monday 7th December 2020 at 3.00pm-5.00pm on Zoom.

The training will cover:

- What Pornography is and why is it important to be able to talk about/discuss Pornography.
- Current issues relating to pornography i.e. legal aspects, prevalence and availability.
- What the Impact of Pornography on Young People is and how it can link to harmful sexual behaviour.
- Practical ways to help young people develop media literacy and be resilient to pressures created by sexualised media.

To book a place then click on the Eventbrite link below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-impact-of-pornography-on-young-people-tickets-130420767025>

If you'd like to find out more or for a group booking discount then please call 07513080668.

Available Places for KSCP Training—Making a Positive Contribution to Child Protection Conferences and Core Groups

There are places available on the KSCP 'Making a positive contribution to child protection conferences and core groups' training.

- 11 places left of 16 - Virtual Training via Zoom - 10-12-2020 - (9:30 to 4:30)
- 11 places left of 17 - Virtual Training via Zoom - 19-01-2021 - (9:30 to 4:30)

To book a place on KSCP training, click [here](#).

