

Case Mapping Exercise

6 Step Briefing

Children Av

The Background

This case relates to the trafficking and potential modern slavery of two young people brought in to the UK from Kenya.

Safeguarding Concerns

Both young people explained they were brought into the country by 'a woman' who then provided them with passports and birth certificates.

The Incident

These two young people were taken into police protection early 2019 after police received intelligence that they had been trafficked into the country.

The Review

The case was considered by the Local Learning Review Sub Group of Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Partnership and agreed that a Case Mapping Exercise would identify learning. The Case Mapping Exercise was concluded with a multi-agency workshop where recommendations were agreed.

The Findings

Key themes:

- Professionals need to understand the wider issues of trafficking and modern slavery and what they look like – these two young people were hidden in plain sight of professionals. **Recommendation 1**
- Radicalisation - the school report makes reference to the young male having drawn a swastika on his arm and the young female had mentioned Al-Shabaab, a Kenyan militant and jihadi fundamentalist group. This information was not known to police counter-terrorism at the time as it was not referred by the school. This will now be investigated. **Recommendation 1.**

The Findings continued

Informing Practice

- The Counter Terrorism Prevent team, when looking at the local profile in Northamptonshire, undertake an annual scoping exercise whereby they seek the opinions of professionals from front line through to strategic level to gain an understanding of views and experiences of radicalisation, extremism or terrorism. Taken together with current intelligence and investigation This then informs the allocation of training and resource. The findings are fed into Chief Executives of each contributing agency however they often do not then get disseminated through workforces due to the sensitivity of the information it contains . The next Counter Terrorism Local Profile is due to be launched in November at Northamptonshire Police HQ. There are plans to run a Counter Terrorism training event at a Daventry School within the next few months. ***This will feed into the work of the Child Exploitation Sub Group of the safeguarding partnership. This also falls within the scope of the Prevent Steering Group***

Good Practice

- The school nurse worked hard to develop an engaging relationship with the young female who remains at the school.
- The young female has been referred to Service Six in respect of on-line safety.
- The school appropriately referred the young male to MASH for his drug misuse and the outcome of referring to Ngage was appropriate.
- The PCSO worked well and the multi-agency response to the incident in February 2019 was effective and timely by all involved.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **Child Exploitation Sub Group to review information provided regarding radicalisation and ensure the information given is in a language and terminology understandable to professionals.**
 - 1a. **Special Branch will contact the two young people's school to arrange a meeting to discuss recognising and reporting radicalisation.**

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