# INFORMATION REPORT TO THE THAMES VALLEY POLICE AND CRIME PANEL 7<sup>TH</sup> April 2017

# PCC RESPONSE TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION (CSE) SUB-COMMITTEE

# **Background**

At its meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017, the Panel asked the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) to provide a formal response to the recommendations of the Preventing CSE Sub-Committee arising from its meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016.

My responses are set out below.

#### **MULTI-AGENCY SAFEGUARDING HUBS**

# Recommendation:

To ask the OPCC whether they would be prepared to host a Thames Valley wide meeting involving all MASH looking at information sharing, particularly current challenges and promoting areas of good practice.

#### **PCC Response:**

The MASHs currently do this anyway. There will need to be a review of the performance of the MASHs at the end of this calendar year; I will discuss arrangements with the Chief Constable.

# PERPETRATOR PROFILING

#### Recommendations:

That the PCC ask the Chief Constable:

- 1) What the current perpetrator profile was for successful prosecutions (including the number of successful prosecutions generally across the Thames Valley by type e.g. lone offender or gang related).
- 2) Whether it would be possible to develop some perpetrator profiling work similar to that of the East Midlands Network.

  [NB]

The East Midlands Perpetrator Profiling work had been driven by the East

Midlands Network, which is made up of the 9 local authorities who meet regularly with LSCB chairs to develop co-ordinated working, ensuring that all Councils are engaged with sharing good practice]

# **PCC Responses:**

I will ask the Chief Constable if he can arrange for this profile to be prepared.

#### LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

#### Recommendation:

That the PCC should consider writing a letter to the Department of Education about the loophole in legislation, which should be jointly signed by Safeguarding Board Chairman.

# **PCC Response:**

Agreed – I will write to the Dept. of Education in the next couple of weeks.

#### TAXI LICENSING

#### Recommendation:

That a Thames Valley wide meeting be organised with all Taxi Licensing Authorities to consider a consistent approach including the possibility of a regional database.

## **PCC** Response:

I consider this matter to be the responsibility of local authorities to organise. However, the Deputy PCC (Matthew Barber) has agreed to speak at the Thames Valley-wide Taxi-Licensing Event on 19 May that is being organised by the Panel. In addition, the Chair of the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners (APCC), Dame Vera Baird has recently called on the Government to consult on new statutory guidance relating to licensing for private taxis to help prevent risk to vulnerable children by coordinated national action.

#### **HOTEL WATCH**

#### Recommendation:

That the PCC be asked to give an update on the Hotel and Night Watch Scheme roll out in the Thames Valley.

## **PCC Response:**

I will request a report from the Chief Constable.

#### **Anthony Stansfeld**

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