



Cuckooing: Multi-Agency Risk Assessment & Response Tool



Since our launch in 2022, we have been tireless in our quest to raise awareness of all forms of exploitation. However, through our work, we have become acutely aware that despite there being a growing professional awareness of Child Criminal Exploitation; in stark contrast, knowledge of cuckooing remains far from both the professional and public consciousness.

Our Cuckooing Masterclass has been incredibly popular and has galvanised viral and critical conversations about this serious issue, which has often inextricable links to County Lines.

Since we launched this training programme, we have delivered this to Community Safety and Housing Teams, Local Authorities, The Association of Child Protection Professionals (AoPCC) [AOCPP - Association of Child Protection Professionals](#), The West Midlands Violence Reduction Unit, Specialists Child Exploitation Teams, NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups and Primary Care Networks.



But awareness and knowledge is only ever going to be part of the solution.

Application of knowledge and understanding in the context of a multi-agency response is also crucial in order to adequately safeguard those who have been cuckooed.

Therefore, we have created the Safer Together Cuckooing: Multi-Agency Risk Assessment and Response Tool which promotes an effective, multi-agency safeguarding response for both children and young people who may have been impacted by this highly complex and varied issue. This resource has been designed to:

- Lessen the propensity of a siloed law enforcement response by promoting statutory and non-statutory collaboration.
- Promote effective intelligence and information sharing which can support the development of both local and regional intelligence pictures.
- Support the assessment of place-based vulnerability.
- Support the assessment and identification of unmet need and the creation of person-centred risk management and support plans.
- Promote person-centred ways of working which empower victims.
- Ensure that professionals “widen their lens” and consider every case of cuckooing in the context of child protection.
- Equip professionals with tools and resources which apply the principles of Making
- Safeguarding Personal.

This resource is available to pre-order (delivery mid-July) and is priced at £45.00 inclusive of postage.

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