

Specialist Crime and Operations

Guidance on intelligence sharing.

The intelligence sharing document must not be used to make referrals to police for new concerns or case. The existing form 87a must be used and report procedure used.

The purpose of the document is to share additional intelligence in relation to CSE concerns. Examples of intelligence suitable for police use are snippets of conversations over heard, a young person mentioning a name, number or registration plate, information gleaned during conversations with a young person or their family that would give cause for concern of criminal behaviour. This list is not exhaustive.

The purpose of sharing intelligence with police is so that action can be taken. Police cannot act upon information they have not been made aware of. The danger of not sharing intelligence is that young people could come to harm and criticism could be levelled during a review of the processes and procedures in place.

CSE is a national risk but the intelligence being received by police is very limited, it is apparent that partner agencies and social services have a wealth of intelligence gained from their interactions with young people and families.

During your work with young people you may hear numerous references to certain locations such as a chicken shop, or to a person or group who pose CSE risks not just to that young person but others who have not been identified. This intelligence needs to be shared with police.

Guidance on completing an intelligence document.

Please fill in the form with as much information and detail as you can but leave boxes blank if the details are not known.

The first box will be the person referring the intelligence to police and the MASE (multi-agency sexual exploitation meetings).

The second box will be filled in with the details of person who first gave that information.

The purpose of contact details for both are so police can contact them if they need/want to clarify any of the information.

The third box for explaining the current situation and should include details of what has been said and what the problem is. It must not include the opinion of the person referring the intelligence. The information should be as factual as possible.

The fourth box is for details of when the problem is happening.

The fifth box relates to where the problem is happening.

The sixth box is for recording people that the information relates to. This could be a young person who is at risk a person who puts others at risk or it may not relate to any person in particular. For example it may be identified there is a problem address but it is not known who goes there.

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The seventh box is for recording how the person giving the information knows it to be true not how the person reporting the information knows or believes it to be true.

The eighth box is for documenting who else or how many others know the information.

The ninth box is for recording when the information was last known to be true which may be before it was reported.

The more information received by police the greater the chance of identifying those responsible and averting the risks posed.

Examples of good and bad information

Bad

Young people are hanging around Hackney Chicken shop on Mare Street. It is believed they are involved in CSE.

The problem with this information is there is a lack of information the police can act on, who to target or who is at risk

Good

Problem

Joe Bloggs a 20 year old male frequents the Chicken shop on Mare Street. Young females aged about 14 also attend it. Joe is believed to by buying food for young girls in return for sex.

Wher

This happens after school on Thursday and Friday.

Where

Chicken shop on Mare Street

Who

Joe Bloggs a 20 year old male

Truth

This information is known to be true as the young person has been present when this happened.

Knows

Unknown

Last time

They last knew this was true a week ago.

How to share the information

The information should be emailed to the MASE referral box on email where it can be properly collated together, will be recorded and forwarded to police:

mase@hackney.gov.uk

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