**Mapping guidance**

This document includes information on intelligence gathering for the purposes of Organised and Complex Abuse, including exploitation.

1. **What is mapping and why do we use it?**

**One of the greatest tools to be used when making links between young people and sexual exploitation networks is known as “social network research” (mapping).**

* It can assist in the visualisation of complex interactions between victims and perpetrators and helps evidence patterns of behaviours with perpetrators of sexual exploitation.
* Mapping depicts a young person’s friendships
* Reveals the relationships patterns that exist between them and other young people and also provides information and intelligence about young people and their experiences
* Mapping can be completed in the form of a genogram and is useful when dealing with social interactions.
* It begins with one individual, and generally snowballs as relationships are traced.

1. **How to MAP**

**Mapping doesn’t require lots of tools or equipment and can be done on A4/A3 paper / lining paper or even wallpaper.**

You can map on a whiteboard or using OneNote.

Consider who should write the information on to the board (it needs to be legible)

Mapping may be best completed in a quiet space, ideally with at least two people (although can be done just by one person).

1. **Who should be involved**

* A scriber
* All agenies to interrogate the computerised systems and clarify information
* If you can map with other people that know the young person and use other people’s records this is often also beneficial.

The map may be easier to understand if colour coded writing is used. For example:

• **Black** Names

• **Red** Arrows and links

• **Blue** DOBs and Acronyms / Care arrangements (LAC)

• **Green** Bullet pointed information

1. **Some approaches**

**Top to bottom** – Perpetrators or suspected leader at the top of the page, working down to victims in the middle and other linked young people at the bottom (useful if you need to map looking at a hierarchy).

**Chronological view** – Young person in the centre of the map, place information in a circular clockwise motion around the map starting at the top, record with a clear date, in time order of significant events. (Useful if there is a long history of concern).

**Individual or dual focus** – In the centre of the board place the young person’s name and details, place friends and other linked young people around the outsides focusing on the young people who are being targeted for exploitation (most effective when first understanding a case). For dual focus, split board in two and map two young people together.

1. **Information recorded** (under names and bullet pointed)

* DOB
* Care arrangements and carer name
* TABS – CIN, CLA, CP, SGO, PF, SEN etc
* Note if there is NRM Status
* If relevant, include address
* Record any nicknames / aliases
* Other info to include – gang affiliation, drug links, offending history /convictions, history of weapons etc, mental health, service involvement, links to operations, education
* Social media information – profile names, number of profiles, concerning comments made on photos

1. **Record Key Exploitation Information**

* **Allocate space on the board (usually the top or bottom corners).**
* **Locations** – e.g. Stoat, CV7, MacDougalls, Happy Spar shop at Park Street.
* **Use of Social Media-** snap chat Facebook
* **Hot Spot Areas** – e.g. Horsey Woods car park, Bloggs Park
* **Hotels** – Travelodge, Canary wharf
* **Cars and Registration plates** – Blue Honda Accord, blacked out windows, BJ696K

1. **Where to find information to add to a map**

* Contacts / referrals
* Strategy meeting minutes
* Return home interviews
* Intelligence forms
* MASE meetings
* Case file notes (but be mindful of using only relevant information)

1. **During all points in the mapping process you should consider:**

• Submitting an Intelligence form (see appendix for 5x5x5)

• Are other young people at risk? (remember boys can be victims as well)?

• Ask yourself - are they being trafficked? NRM Referral

1. **Think about**

**What happened?**

ACTION – ‘recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons’.

**How did it happen?**

MEANS – ‘by the threat or use of force, coercion, abduction, fraud, deception, the abuse of power or a position of vulnerability, or the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another’ do not need to evidence this for children as they cannot consent to abuse.

**Why it happened?**

**Appendix A Mapping example**

Information is received from Willin Hill School that Beverley Miller’s friends have been raising concerns about her.

“Bev” is a 14 year old white British girl who spends time with two 15 year old males after school – called Ben and James both Ben and James are British and attend the same school as Bev. Bev’s cousin -Samantha Topham (aged 15 years) also joins them. They go to McDougalls in Black Street most days after school.

One day whilst waiting in the Black Street, one of the boys speaks to a male named Zach in McDougalls. Zach offers them all a lift home in his car. When they get to the car (a large black BMW) there is another man in there who looks about 26 years old. Ben says he knows the men and tells the girls it will be a laugh. They all get into the car, drive around for a while and then park up.The men have “spliffs” which they offer the girls. Neither Bev nor Sam have ever smoked a “spliff” but they think it would look immature not to, so they do.

The school share that the behaviour of Bev and Samantha is out of character. The girl who has shared the concerns with the school has said that the girls are at risk and is said by the school to be a reliable source.

Samantha Topham Ben Smith

15 years 11.1.2002 15 years 21.2.2002

Cousin of Beverly Friends with Beverly

Accompanied Beverly to Accompanied Beverly to

McDougalls and in the car with males McDougalls and in the car

With males

**Beverly Miller** (14yrs) 03/03/2003

• Frequently in McDougalls

• Met a male named Zach and another

unidentified man. (Beverly believes his

name to be Simon

• Beverly and others got into a black BMW

with men

• Given cannabis by the males

James Leo

15 years 11.1.2002

Friends with Beverly **Locations**  Accompanied Beverly

McDougalls on Black Street and in car At McDouggalls

Willian Hill School

**Mapping exercise continued**

You start your children and families assessment and are working with Bev and her family. Her family tell you that they are aware that Bev is being picked up by these men. Bev is missing education and sneaking out of the house despite being grounded to meet them.

The family have seen a phone number being used which they believe is 0777999111. Bev has become secretive. Her family think she is drinking and meeting the men frequently, spending time with her cousin Samantha and the men in a car park at Day Green.

Both girls are said to be dressing differently and have at times smelt of cannabis. Ben has started to distance himself from Bev. He has told her that he thinks they should stop going in the car as ‘bad things are going to come of it’. Bev feels that Ben is immature and has told him to stay away from her.

The girls are often seen in the car with the men around the city in London. They often return home late and have had a number of missing episodes. During return home interviews, the girls have disclosed they drink vodka with their friends and name their friends as Zach Smith and Mohammed Barr. They also mention other friends called Tanny and Frank.

School report that the girls are arriving late, look tired and often smell stale and of alcohol. School are concerned that they are consuming alcohol in school and sharing it with other pupils. Further information is received that there is sometimes another male in the car with the girls.

During a direct work session with Bev, she discloses that she has been to Mile end Park with Zach alone as he felt that he wanted some “one on one time.” Bev informs that Zach has a tattoo on his arm. She said she is not frightened of him and he is really protective of her. She states that they sat on a bench for a while and will not disclose anything further.

You contact the local Police and learn that Zach is Zach Smith. Zach lives at 3 Roman Road, with his parents and his 14 year old sister. He has previously been known to have a number of girlfriends, including Sophie Smart (aged 14) and Angel Anderson (aged 13). Angel has had a number of missing episodes and was placed out of city when her placement at home broke down.

You also contact health clinics and are told that Bev has been seeking contraception advice and has recently had a termination.

**Samantha Topham** (15yrs) 11/01/2002

• Cousin of Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at McDougalls and in the car with the males

• Increased regular missing episodes

**Beverly Miller** (14yrs) 03/03/2003

• Frequently in McDougalls (Burgess)

• Met a male named Zach and another

unidentified man. (Beverly believes his name to be)

• Beverly and others got into a black BMW with men

• Given cannabis by the males

• Day Green car park - drinking vodka with males

• Beverly told school she goes to Mile end Park to have alone time with Zach, they only sit on a bench

• It has been noticed Beverly is looking unkempt and coming to school smelling of stale alcohol

• Numerous calls from the same

number

**James Leo** (15yrs) 11/01/2002

• Friends with Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at

McDougalls and in the car

**Ben Smith** (15yrs) 21/02/2002

• Friends with Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at McDougalls and in the car with the males

**Mohammed Barr** (40yrs)

Unknown D.O.B

**Locations**

• McDougalls on Black Street

• Willin Hill School

• Day Green car park

• Mile end park

**Zach Smith** (26yrs)

Unknown D.O.B

• Has other male friends named Frank and Tanny

• Zach’s previous girlfriends

- Angel Anderson (13) and

Sophie Smart (14)

• Zach lives at home with his

parents at 3 Roman Road

• Tattoo of an anchor on his leg

**Mapping exercise continued**

You speak with Bev about what you know and her relationship. She says she goes with Zach willingly. She and Zach are together, she loves him and wants to be with him, she admits they have had sex. She says she feels ashamed afterwards because the first time she couldn’t remember it as she had been drunk. She says they have sex every time they meet. She won’t tell you where they go or where she and Zach hang out - he is her boyfriend.

She tells you that Sam is also having sex with Mohammed but they don’t talk about it. There is an incident where Sam is reported missing and when found she states that she was raped. Sam stated that one night the girls agreed

to go to a flat at 101 Longday Lane (in Woodway by Village Foods) which belongs to a friend of Zach’s. The flat is dirty and doesn’t have much furniture.

They are provided with alcohol and spend time smoking and hanging out there. Sam discloses that Zach gave her and Bev a line of cocaine and that he has continued to give them this each night. Sam said that they always have sex at the flat. She said that one night the men agreed to “swap the girls’. Zach had sex with Sam and Bev had sex with Mohammed. Both girls were said to be under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

Sam was distressed by this as Mohammed is her boyfriend and said that she only had sex with Zach because Bev had sex with Mohammed. Two nights later, Bev and Sam returned to the flat and there were other men present.

Sam discloses that both she and Bev were gang raped. Zach has told them that they are “prostitutes”, having sex for drink and drugs and if they tell anyone, they will go to into care. Sam describes enjoying using alcohol and drugs and likes the “buzz” of being with the males. Sam states that she whilst she was raped, she will not talk to the Police and blames Bev for what happened to them. Sam intends to continue to see Mohammed and states that she only wants to have sex with him.

**Samantha Topham** (15yrs) 11/01/2002

• Cousin of Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at McDougalls and in the car with the males

• Increased regular missing episodes

**Ben Smith** (15yrs) 21/02/2002

• Friends with Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at McDougalls and in the car with the males

**Beverly Miller** (14yrs) 03/03/2003

• Frequently in McDougalls (Burgess)

• Met a male named Zach and another

unidentified man. (Beverly believes his name to be)

• Beverly and others got into a black BMW with men

• Given cannabis by the males

• Day Green car park - drinking vodka with males

• Beverly told school she goes to Mile end Park to have alone time with Zach, they only sit on a bench

• It has been noticed Beverly is looking unkempt and coming to school smelling of stale alcohol

• Numerous calls from the same

Number

Missing is increasing

Beverly disclosed she has had sex with Zach – she was intoxicated when this happened

Attended flat 101 Longday lane the house in poor condition

Sam and Bev were given cocaine by Zach

At the flat Mohammed had sex with Bev Zach had sex with Sam

**Mohammed Barr** (40yrs)

Unknown D.O.B

Had sex with Samantha and Beverly

**Locations**

• McDougalls on Black Street

• Willin Hill School

• Day Green car park

• Mile end park

Flat 101 Longday Lane

**James Leo** (15yrs) 11/01/2002

• Friends with Beverly

• Accompanied Beverly at McDougalls and in the car

**Zach Smith** (26yrs)

Unknown D.O.B

• Has other male friends named Frank and Tanny

• Zach’s previous girlfriends

- Angel Anderson (13) and

Sophie Smart (14)

• Zach lives at home with his

parents at 3 Roman Road

• Tattoo of an anchor on his leg

males at the party were aged

between 26 - 40 years old.