

Tackling Exploitation Learning Exchange 2026

EVENT FEEDBACK 16th March 2026

98 Multi agency practitioners attended

A strong mix of: Education, Police, Social care, Probation, Health, Housing & Youth services, Third sector and alternative provisions,

This diversity strengthened multi-agency perspectives in feedback.

44%

completed an online evaluation form



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Strategy



**What participants
valued most**

OVERALL SATISFACTION

Very satisfied (5/5): 29 responses

Somewhat satisfied (4/5): 13 responses

Low satisfaction (2/5): 1 response

- Topics clearly resonated with the audience.
- Participants valued the content; many said it exceeded expectations.

Recurring positive themes

- High-quality speakers, especially Liz, Jonathan, and the Spectrum/Ivison Trust inputs.
- Real-life examples that made Learning meaningful.
- Learning about referral pathways (PIP, Makesafe, NRM, Spectrum, Ivison Trust).
- Networking and multi-agency connections.
- Practical knowledge: signs of CCE/CSE, trafficking indicators, local processes, intelligence sharing.



Areas for improvement

PARTICIPANTS WANTED:

- More interactive elements rather than PowerPoint-heavy delivery
- More case studies showing disruption work
- Content tailored for primary-aged children
- Dedicated time for questions (not in front of large group)
- More local current themes affecting Wakefield
- A lived-experience speaker*

**Speak up. Stand up.
Stop Exploitation**



*Unfortunately, the scheduled lived experience speaker had to cancel on the day

TAKEAWAYS



IMPROVEMENTS

INCREASED KNOWLEDGE

- Signs of CCE/CSE, trafficking and county lines
- Local services (Spectrum, Ivison Trust, PIP, Makesafe)
- Understanding multi-agency roles
- Intelligence sharing – when and how to report concerns

PLANNED ACTIONS



- Cascading learning to colleagues and DSL networks
- Increased referrals or information submissions
- Using PIP more confidently
- Improved practice when working with vulnerable young people
- Updating internal safeguarding processes

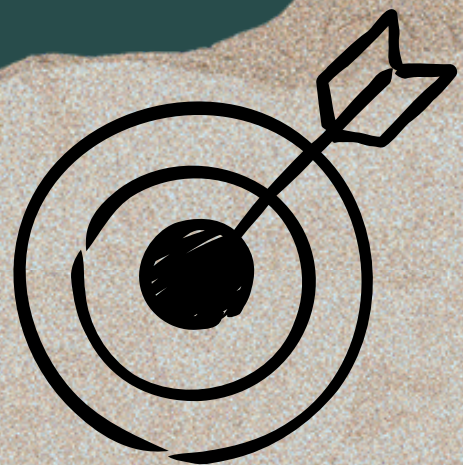
REQUESTED FUTURE TOPICS



Participants would like to see more on:

- Disruption at an operational level
- Primary-school-specific exploitation risks
- Up-to-date local intelligence/trends
- Case studies showing impact of partnership work
- Human trafficking/modern slavery
- Online risk and social media exploitation
- Working with parents
- Support for unaccompanied asylum-seeking children

OVERALL SUMMARY



The event was highly successful, with strong praise for content quality, relevance, and the range of speakers. Participants left with practical tools, new contacts, and improved confidence in managing exploitation concerns.

Areas to consider for future events include increasing interactivity and offering more operational case studies.

