County Lines and Child Exploitation Update

More information:

County Lines:- the phone number you call to get the drugs. This line is from a different city. Then they will contact a local rep to get the drugs to you.

Cuckooing:- houses are taken over by a drug group and operate out of it.

Trafficking:- Trafficking children for the purpose of recruitment, transfer, harbouring and or/a receipt of a child for the purpose of slavery, forced labour or exploitation is illegal – distance is irrelevant. From one end of town to another is still trafficking.

Vulnerable people:- new to the area, Teenage Mums, People with Special needs, Isolated People, Young Teens (10 Years +)

Child exploitation:- Children being coerced in to actions and situations that they are too scared to say no. Children are groomed by

Short Films:

BBC iPlayer Drugsland - County Lines Part 1 – gives a clear background to County lines in Somerset and North Somerset. (Western Super Mere and Yeovil) Follows Operation Hazel based from Bridgwater.

YouTube – Trapped: County Lines

YouTube - Child Sexual Exploitation or Child Exploitation