

# CSE PROFILE - BRADFORD

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## Introduction

It is difficult to know the exact scale of CSE in Bradford, as not all incidents are reported. The data within this report shows what we do know about CSE in Bradford; including the demographic summary of children / YP assessed as being at risk of CSE and the agencies involved in supporting them. There is also data regarding CSE crimes in Bradford over the last year. Anecdotally, we are aware of a rise in cyber related grooming and offences. However, both CSC and the Police need to put more emphasis on formally recording this type of activity, as there is a lack of data available.

## Bradford in context

Bradford has a population of 534,800 and is ranked the 6<sup>th</sup> largest Local Authority Population. 23.8% of Bradford's population is aged under 16, with the highest percentage of under 16 population in England. There are 21.8% of children are deemed to be living in poverty. The population of Bradford is ethnically diverse with the largest proportion of the district's population (63.9%) identifying themselves as White British. The district has the largest proportion of people of Pakistani ethnic origin (20.3%) in England. (*Office of National Statistics*) The size and diversity of Bradford's profile provides a massive challenge to all agencies involved in tackling and supporting those at risk of CSE and Missing episodes.

## Bradford's approach

Bradford's CSE Team, as part of the MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub), work in partnership with key agencies including the Police, Health colleagues and third sector organisations to support children and young people assessed as being at risk of Child Sexual Exploitation. This is a dedicated, specialist CSE assessment team that case hold and also regularly review all cases where children are flagged at risk of CSE to assess the risk of significant harm.

## CSE Risk data

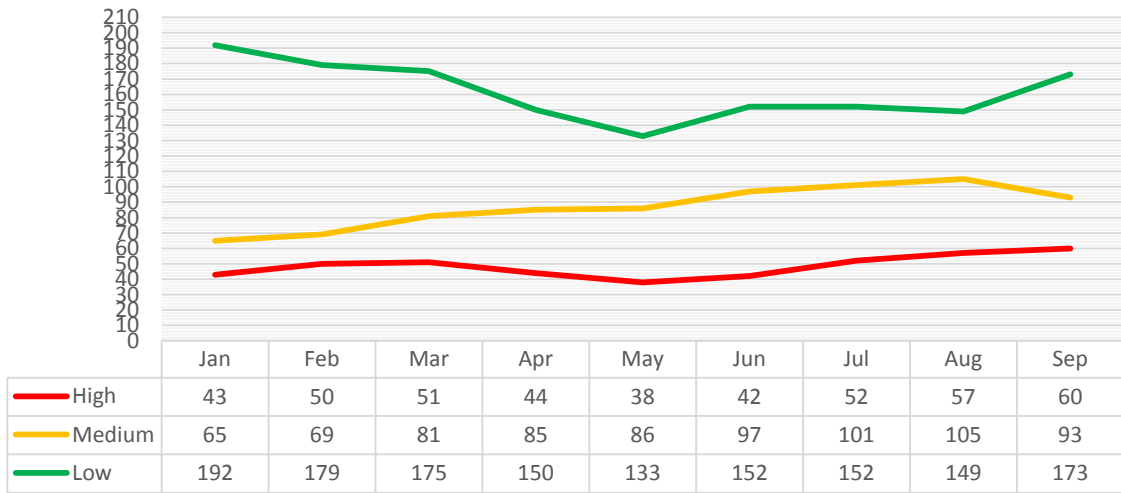
### Number of CSE cases

- The data in this part of the report has been collated on the last day of each month, from January to September 2018.
- The table below shows the number of children/young people assessed as being at risk of CSE and their risk status. (Definitions available in Annex B) Previous reports have shown cases that are flagged as awaiting risk assessment, CSE cautionary six months and potential perpetrator. It was felt that including this data was distorting the figures, so this report focusses purely on those children and young people that are currently assessed as at high, medium or low risk of CSE.

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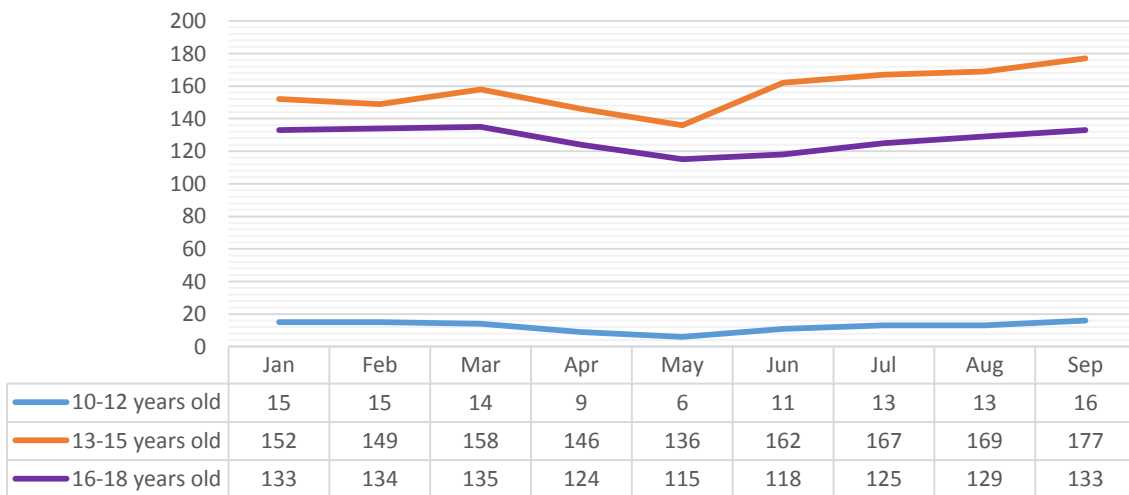
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### Number of Children with CSE Risk Flag - Jan to Sept 2018

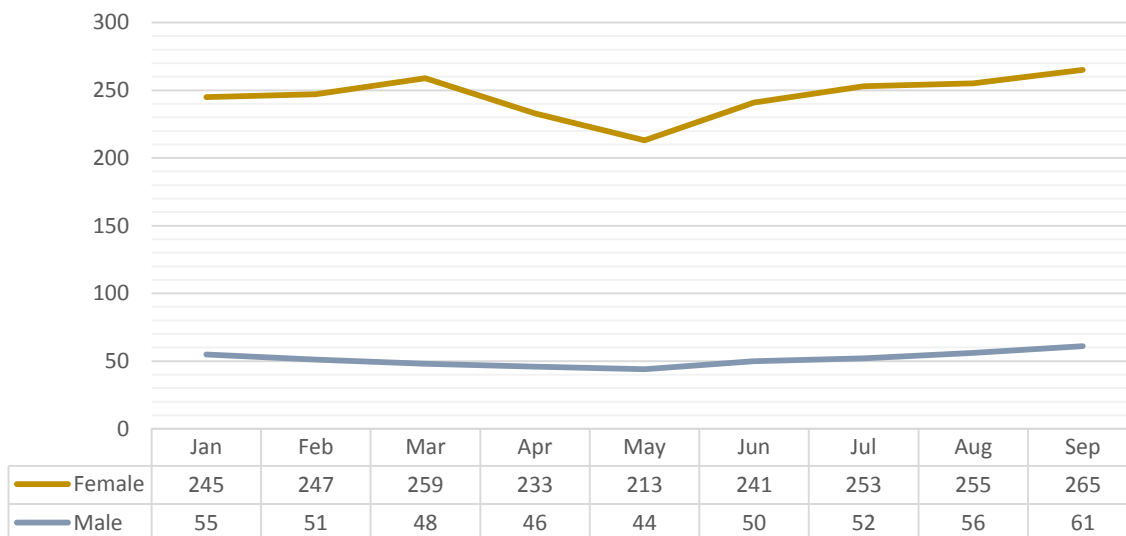


The average age of a child / young person assessed as being at risk of CSE is 15 years and 1 month, predominately female and White British, as the following charts show.

### Age Groups of Children with CSE Flag- Jan to Sept 2018



### Gender of Children with CSE Risk Flag - Jan to Sept 2018

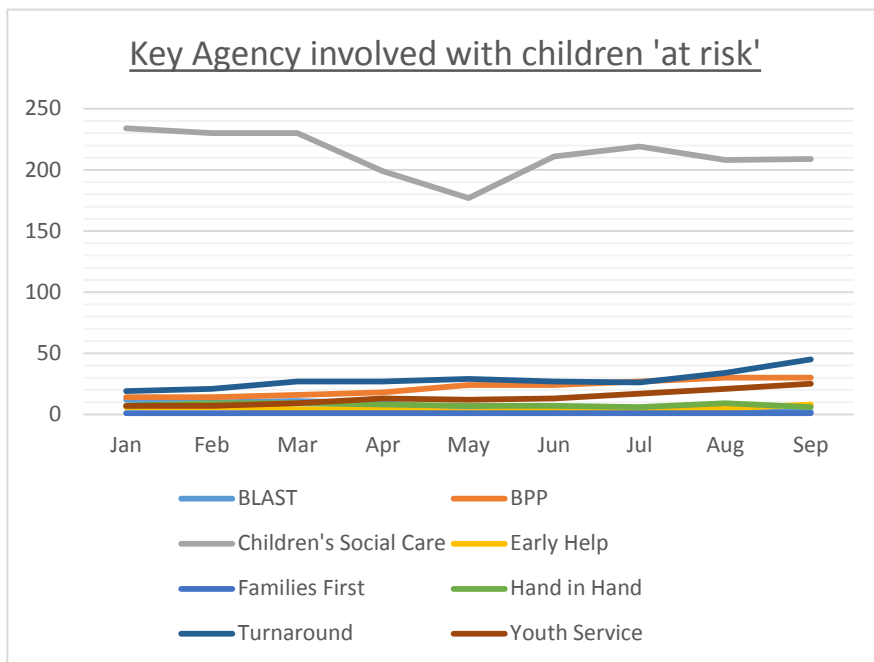


Ethnicity of children with CSE Risk Flag - Jan to Sept 2018.

|                                     | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | %     |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Asian / British Asian - Bangladeshi | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0.1%  |
| Asian / British Asian - Indian      | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0.3%  |
| Asian / British Asian - Other       | 3   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 2   | 3   | 3   | 3   | 0.9%  |
| Asian / British Asian - Pakistani   | 34  | 33  | 33  | 26  | 26  | 28  | 29  | 36  | 39  | 10.6% |
| Black / Black British - African     | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0.5%  |
| Black / Black British - Caribbean   | 2   | 0   |     |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0.3%  |
| Gypsy / Roma                        | 14  | 16  | 15  | 13  | 10  | 10  | 10  | 10  | 11  | 4.1%  |
| Information Not Yet Obtained        | 19  | 18  | 20  | 19  | 15  | 19  | 21  | 23  | 24  | 6.7%  |
| Mixed - Other                       | 1   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 5   | 1.0%  |
| Mixed - White / Asian               | 20  | 19  | 24  | 23  | 22  | 24  | 24  | 21  | 21  | 7.4%  |
| Mixed - White / Black African       | 2   | 2   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0.3%  |
| Mixed - White / Black Caribbean     | 8   | 8   | 8   | 7   | 7   | 7   | 6   | 6   | 7   | 2.4%  |
| Other Ethnic Group                  | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 2   | 5   | 5   | 0.9%  |
| Traveller of Irish Heritage         | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |     | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0.1%  |
| White - British                     | 179 | 179 | 178 | 164 | 150 | 175 | 182 | 181 | 188 | 58.9% |
| White - Eastern European            | 8   | 8   | 10  | 9   | 8   | 8   | 9   | 10  | 10  | 3.0%  |
| White - Irish                       | 1   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.1%  |
| White - Other                       | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 7   | 8   | 10  | 8   | 7   | 2.3%  |

## Key agency involved with children

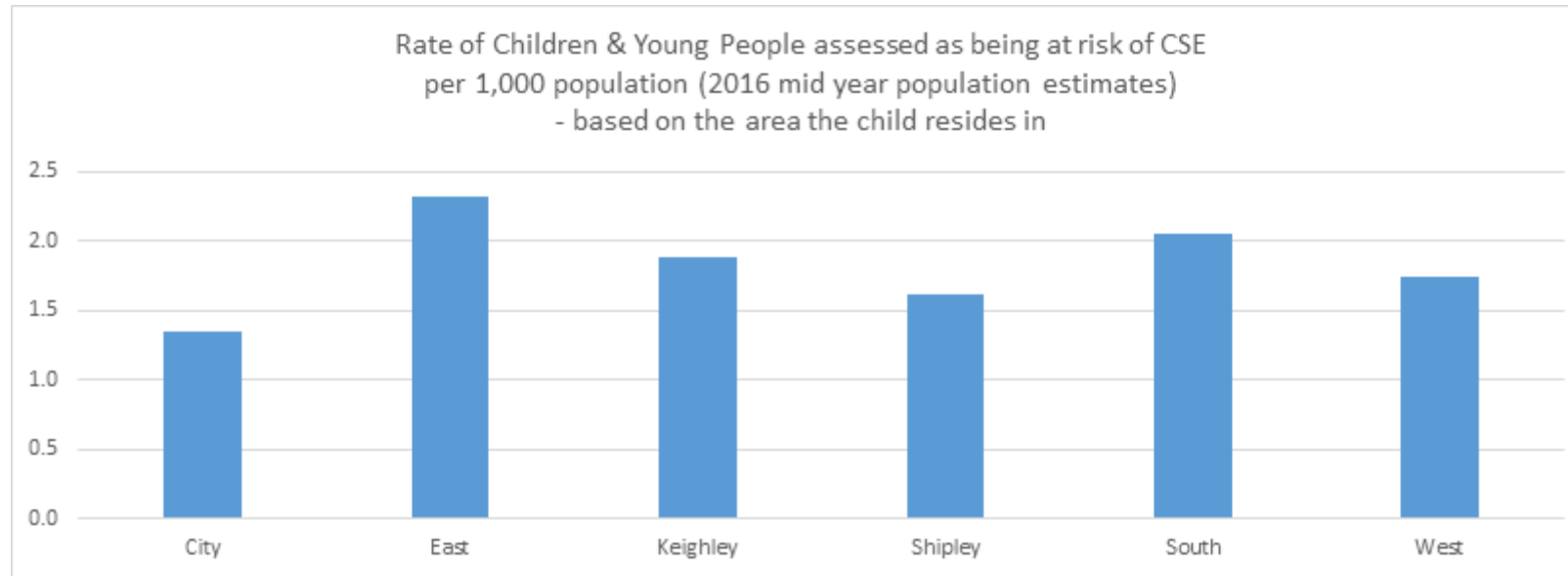
The data below shows the key agency involved with the 'at risk' child / young person, however this may not be the only agency working with them.



|                        | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| BLAST                  | 12  | 10  | 11  | 9   | 5   | 4   | 4   | 3   | 2   |
| BPP                    | 14  | 14  | 16  | 18  | 24  | 24  | 27  | 30  | 30  |
| Children's Social Care | 234 | 230 | 230 | 199 | 177 | 211 | 219 | 208 | 209 |
| Early Help             | 6   | 6   | 4   | 4   | 2   | 4   | 5   | 5   | 8   |
| Families First         | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   | 1   |
| Hand in Hand           | 7   | 9   | 9   | 8   | 7   | 7   | 6   | 9   | 6   |
| Turnaround             | 19  | 21  | 27  | 27  | 29  | 27  | 26  | 34  | 45  |
| Youth Service          | 7   | 7   | 9   | 13  | 12  | 13  | 17  | 21  | 25  |

| Agency                 | Services   |
|------------------------|--|
| BLAST (Basis)          | The 1-2-1 support work offered by The BLAST Project to boys and young men across Leeds and Bradford has moved to Basis Yorkshire and forms part of the work delivered by their Time 2 Project – a CSE service supporting both girls and boys.  |
| BPP                    | B Positive Pathways uses the 'No Wrong Door' approach to work with young people to prevent them entering the care system and to improve their long term outcomes. The model centres on a hub home with wrap around multi agency professionals working together; including Police, Phycologists and Health Workers. |
| Children's Social Care | Holistic Social Care teams that work to support children, young people and their families across the Bradford District.  |
| Early Help             | Supporting families as quickly as possible when problems emerge, working together to find solutions to small problems before they become big ones.   |
| Families First         | Working with families facing serious problems, to "turn their lives round", offering a joined-up 'menu' of support, looking at the needs of the whole family, not just of individual members.  |
| Hand in Hand           | The Children's Society's Hand in Hand Project is a partnership programme between The Children's Society, Bradford and Airedale Community Health Service and Bradford Diocese, supporting young people Involved in or vulnerable to Child Sexual Exploitation.  |
| Turnaround             | A Barnardo's service that aims to prevent and support recovery from episodes of exploitation and trafficking. Also offering support and advocacy for trafficking victims and help with keeping safe, dealing with relationships and issues affecting individual lives.   |
| Youth Service          | Aims to unlock young people's potential, by providing things to do, someone to talk to and places for young people to go. Also offering opportunities for young people to participate in a range of activities, celebrate their achievements and become actively involved in their communities.                    |

## Residence of children with CSE Risk Flag – Constituency area

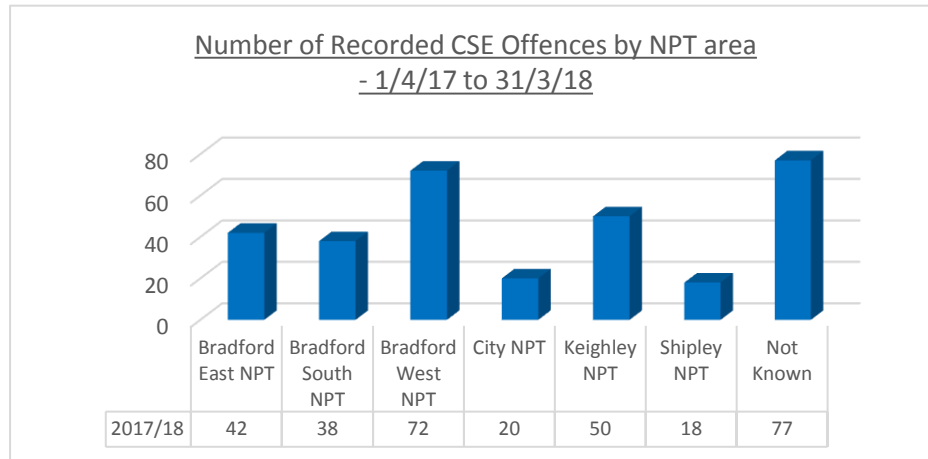


|             | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Average monthly number of C/YP assessed as being at risk of CSE | Population 0-17 (mid 2017 Population estimates) | Rate per 1,000 (under 18 population) |
|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| City        | 11  | 11  | 10  | 8   | 6   | 6   | 8   | 8   | 7   | 8.3   | 6192  | 1.3                                  |
| East        | 86  | 80  | 86  | 80  | 79  | 89  | 85  | 83  | 90  | 84.2  | 36352   | 2.3                                  |
| Keighley    | 43  | 43  | 46  | 39  | 36  | 42  | 43  | 43  | 49  | 42.7  | 22607   | 1.9                                  |
| Shipley     | 33  | 34  | 33  | 28  | 24  | 32  | 30  | 38  | 33  | 31.7  | 19680   | 1.6                                  |
| South       | 53  | 54  | 57  | 54  | 48  | 56  | 68  | 65  | 64  | 57.7  | 28018   | 2.1                                  |
| West        | 44  | 50  | 52  | 49  | 43  | 47  | 49  | 53  | 56  | 49.2  | 28339   | 1.7                                  |
| Out of Area | 30  | 26  | 23  | 21  | 21  | 19  | 22  | 21  | 27  | 23.3  |   |                                      |

## Crime data (provided by West Yorkshire Police)

### CSE Flagged Offences

- During the period 01/04/17 – 31/03/18 there have been 317 CSE flagged offences recorded on Police systems (Corvus). This is a decrease from 348 CSE flagged offences recorded in the previous year.
- The 317 CSE flagged offences recorded 01/04/17 – 31/03/18 relate to 222 recent and 95 non-recent offences. CSE Offences by Neighbourhood Policing Teams (NPT ) Area.

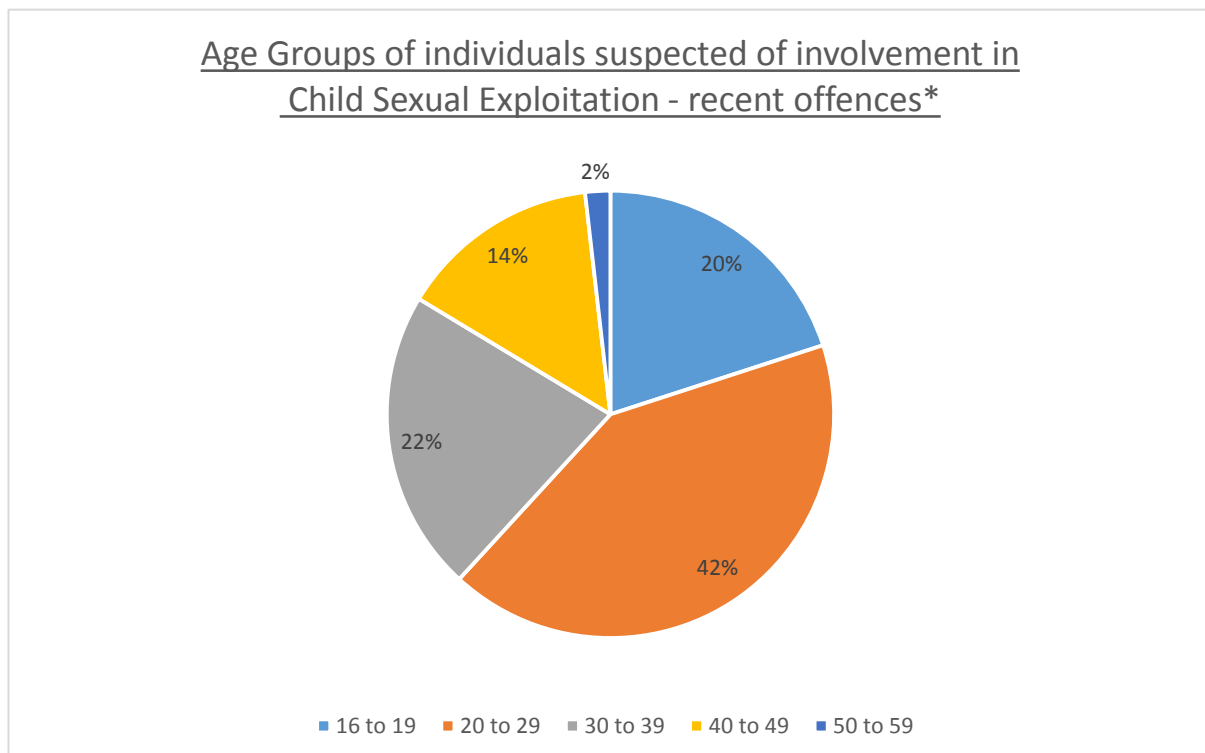


The high number of offences where the NPT area is recorded as 'not known' may be due to the location where the offence occurred may not be known.

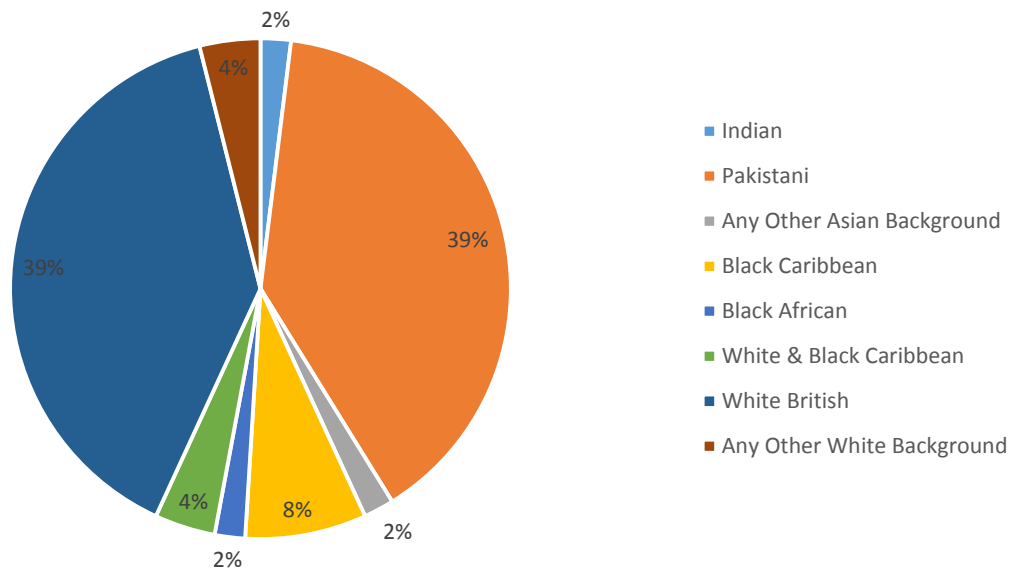
### Individuals suspected of being involved in Sexual Exploitation

The charts below have been produced using information recorded by West Yorkshire Police concerning individuals suspected of being involved in CSE, in recent offences. The information is correct at 29/08/18.

**\*Recent offences or intelligence has been defined as 12 months or under.**

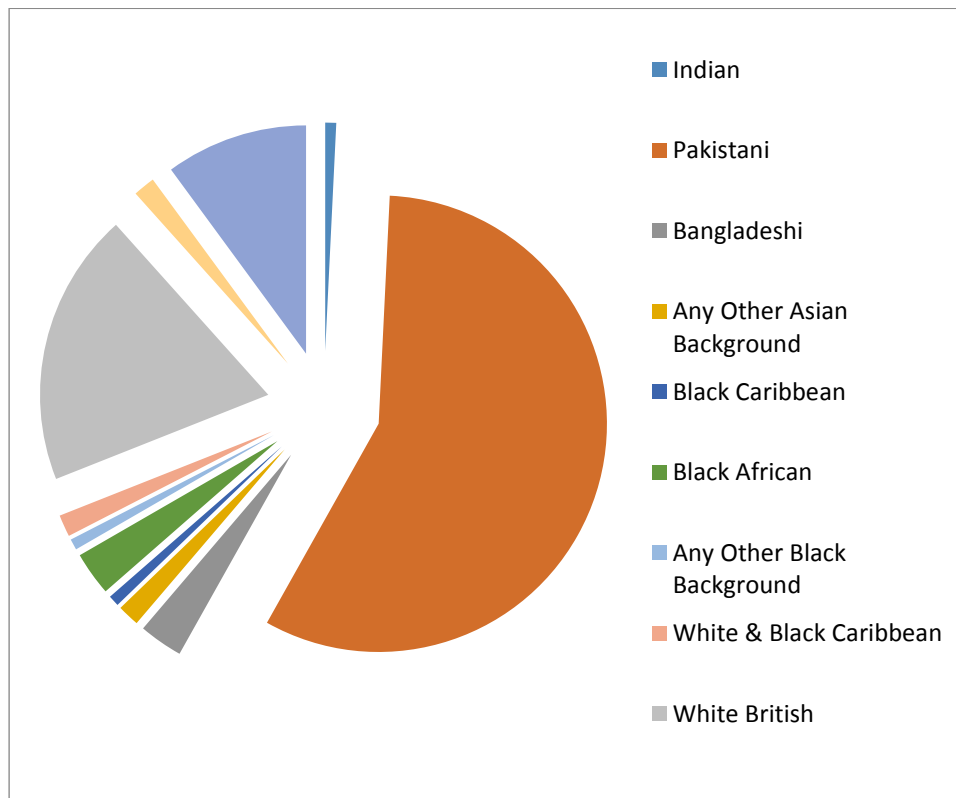


Ethnicity of individuals suspected of involvement in Child Sexual Exploitation - recent offences\*



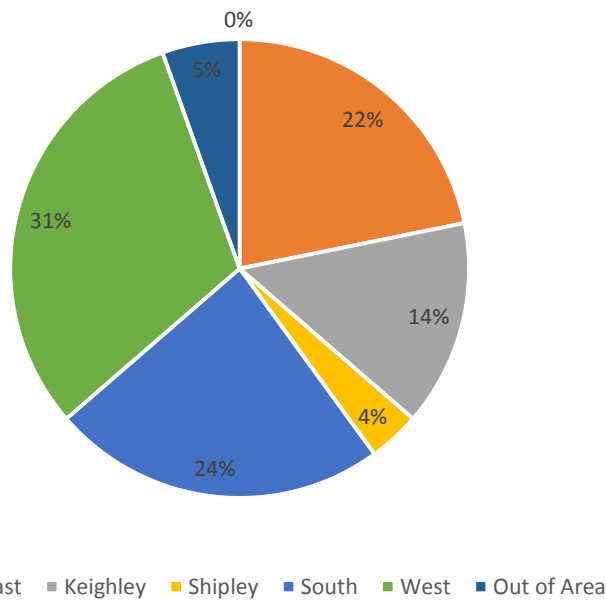
The below data below includes perpetrators of both recent and non-recent offences. The information is correct at 29/08/18. Due to the significant investigative work of Operation Dalesway, there are approximately 50% of perpetrators who are recorded in connection with non-recent offences.

Ethnicity of individuals suspected of involvement in Child Sexual Exploitation – all offences





Residence of individuals suspected of involvement in Child Sexual Exploitation by NPT Area - recent offences\*



### Crime Outcomes

When analysing the 317 CSE flagged offences recorded 01/04/17 – 31/03/18 there are currently 18 occurrences that have a recorded crime status as ‘New’ and 113 occurrences with a status recorded as ‘Under Investigation’. The remaining occurrences have a crime status of ‘Filed’. The table below shows the outcome of the filed crimes:

| Crime Outcome   | Total      |
|---|------------|
| 1: Charged  | 13         |
| 1: Summoned/postal requisition  | 3          |
| 10: Police - formal action not in public interest                       | 1          |
| 11: Named suspect below age of criminal responsibility                  | 1          |
| 14: Victim declines/unable to support action to identify offender       | 13         |
| 15: CPS - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties    | 2          |
| 15: Police - named suspect, victim supports but evidential difficulties | 56         |
| 16: Victim declines/withdraws support - named suspect identified        | 38         |
| 18: Investigation complete no suspect identified                        | 37         |
| 1a: Alternate offence charged   | 1          |
| 1a: Alternate offence summonsed/postal requisition                      | 1          |
| 2: Youth caution  | 1          |
| 20: Other body/agency has investigation primacy                         | 3          |
| 21: Police - named suspect, investigation not in the public interest    | 14         |
| 3: Adult conditional caution  | 1          |
| 5: Offender has died  | 1          |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>186</b> |

## Types of Offences (Cyber / Non-Cyber Offences)

During the period 01/04/18 – 31/08/18 there have been 118 CSE flagged offences recorded across the Bradford District. The occurrences relate to 77 recent and 41 non-recent offences.

There have been 19 cyber related offences, 55 non-cyber related offences and three offences where the initial contact has been via social media or text followed by a face to face meeting. This information has been gathered using the *modus operandi* (MO) of the CSE flagged offences and is dependent on the information being fully recorded on the Police systems.

## Annex A

### Definitions

#### CSE

Child sexual exploitation is a form of child sexual abuse. It occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into sexual activity (a) in exchange for something the victim needs or wants, and/or (b) for the financial advantage or increased status of the perpetrator or facilitator. The victim may have been sexually exploited even if the sexual activity appears consensual. Child sexual exploitation does not always involve physical contact; it can also occur through the use of technology. Child sexual exploitation. *(Definition and a guide for practitioners, local leaders and decision makers working to protect children from child sexual exploitation. February 2017)*

#### CSE Risk Flags

CSE Risk Assessments are carried out by Social Workers, Child Protection professionals in schools, and other support agencies working with children at risk of CSE. Following a robust risk assessment process, and agreed within the morning meetings held at the MASH, a child/young person is flagged as one of the follow:

| Risk Flag   | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| High Risk   | Indicators /Assessment /Evidence /disclosure, suggests that the child /young person is assessed to be engaged in high risk situations / relationships /risk taking behaviour and is at immediate risk of, or is experiencing sexual exploitation. (They may not recognise this)   |
| Medium Risk | The assessment indicates that the child /young person is vulnerable to being sexually exploited / but that there are no immediate /urgent safeguarding concerns. There is evidence the child /young person may be a risk of opportunistic abuse, or is being targeted /groomed. The child /young person may experience protective factors, but circumstances and /or behaviours place him / her at risk of sexual exploitation. |
| Low risk    | The indicators and assessment raise some concerns that the child /young person is at risk of sexual exploitation, and /or places him /or herself at risk. Concern that the child / young person is at risk of being targeted or groomed, but there are positive protective factors in the child /young person life.   |

