

Steve/Sarah,

I have discussed with Sgt John Hughes and DCI Jav Oomer. My comments/suggestions would be that there is nothing around safeguarding and see an opportunity to raise awareness and share information.

Could we look at emphasising some responsibility around reporting any concerns/risks/vulnerabilities that drivers may see and how they can report these. There is nothing else across the county in policy for taxi's but we could look at incorporating some training as part of their induction. I am not sure how we could mandate this?

The scouts for example have written their own policy and safeguarding training (not the same I know but Jav is happy to discuss with the safeguarding board around support for this). We could ask that drivers take part in the level 1 safeguarding training?

We are definitely seeing an increase in risk around CSE and intelligence linking taxi's. We are about to launch some awareness campaigns "Stop the traffick campaign" around exploitation which will go out to taxi bases.

Again this could be something to consider around taking part in local initiatives.

I am more than happy to discuss further.

I will update you with anything from the Safeguarding board.

Kind regards

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