55565 Child Sexual Exploitation

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

If the council has a plan intended to specifically address gang-based child special exploitation, or if such a strategy is incorporated within a larger strategy to address CSE.

There is Inter-agency Guidance on Child Sexual Exploitation published on our website at:

https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/downloads/file/23059/child-sexual-exploitation-guidance

We are currently reviewing all guidance in relation to the exploitation of children.

All motions proposed by councillors since July 2024 which call for an inquiry into grooming gangs (whether a local inquiry or a national one in which your local authority would participate).

All such committee papers are published on our website at:

https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/ieDocHome.aspx?Categories=

These can be searched using keyword searches.

Since July 2024, has the council engaged in correspondence with the Home Office regarding a local inquiry into grooming gangs?

If so, please provide the nature of this correspondence.

No such correspondence has been identified.

The amount of compensation awarded by the local authority to the victims of CSE between the years 2018 - 2024 and the number of individuals to whom it was awarded.

Our Insurance Services have been involved in no such claims in this period.

The amount of compensation awarded by the central government to victims of CSE identified and assisted by your local authority area between the years 2018 - 2024 and the number of individuals to whom it was awarded.

We hold no records of compensation awarded by central government.