



Kingston and Richmond  
Safeguarding Children Partnership

# Understanding & Identifying Contextual Safeguarding & exploitation to determine appropriate intervention Webcast

## Introduction

'Contextual safeguarding' is an approach to safeguarding that responds to young people's experiences of harm outside of the home, for example, with peers, in schools and in neighbourhoods. Contextual safeguarding expands the objectives of child protection systems with recognition that young people are vulnerable to abuse in a range of social contexts. In this Webcast by Andre Vlok, Contextual Safeguarding Lead for Achieving for Children, will provide an overview of the Contextual Safeguarding model national research and local initiatives

## Aims:

This webcast is designed in two parts and aims to provide a foundational knowledge and overview of the contextual safeguarding framework and the application of this to both children at risk of exploitation, and the locations where this harm occurs

1. To support the professional network understanding of what Contextual Safeguarding & Exploitation is, application of this to children at risk of exploitation and thus identify the intervention which can be offered to the child, including early intervention
2. To raise awareness of the application of this framework to community contexts i.e. schools, neighbourhoods and peer groups, with a focus in child safeguarding so that the factors which contribute to harm in these locations can be identified and appropriate intervention implemented.

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