



## Youth Commission Initial findings of Exploitation responses to the Big Conversation

### Summary

In quarter one, January – March 2020, 104 young people have chosen exploitation as their top priority in the Big Conversation, which is 19% of the overall responses.

Age	No of respondents
12	5
13	2
14	21
15	7
16	15
17	20
18	9
19	4
20	4
21	1
22	4
23	0
24	0
25	1
Not given	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>

Area	No of respondents
Basingstoke and Deane	9
East Hants	8
Eastleigh	1
Fareham	11
Gosport	21
Hart	4
Havant	6
Isle of Wight	8
New Forest	1
Portsmouth	1
Rushmoor	1
Southampton	13
Test Valley	2
Winchester	1
Not specified	15
Out of county	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>104</b>

Out of the 104 responses that have been coded so far there have been some very consistent themes throughout. The main themes being: 'increase education', 'signpost relevant services', 'victim support' and 'serious consequences' when asked how they would tackle the issue.

Many of these responses also mention the police when talking about the need for more serious consequences or future prevention, for example one response read:

"I've had many experiences with men in public, one of which had police involved. Though I feel the police dealt well, it feels like nothing is put in place to prevent it from actually happening. Although I understand how difficult this may be."

Additionally, around 15% of respondents have had a personal experience of being exploited, with 29% stating that it is an age-related issue for young people.

Other themes that came up, but were not the most common, were 'mental health' and 'social media'.



Here are the themes we coded from the responses to our Big Conversation:

Code - Phrase/theme
<b>IE</b> - Increase education
<b>SRS</b> - Signpost relevant services
<b>SI</b> - Serious issue
<b>PS</b> - Provide support
<b>S</b> - safety
<b>SC</b> - Serious consequences
<b>TS</b> - Tell someone/ report it
<b>VS</b> - Victim support
<b>SM</b> - Social media
<b>BN</b> - Be nice
<b>MH</b> - Mental health
<b>LTI</b> - Long term issue
<b>PE</b> - Personal experience/ seen Hate crime incident
<b>PP</b> - Police presence
<b>ARI</b> - Age related issue

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