



Stakeholder Bulletin

December 2023

Coordinating and improving the
policing response to vulnerability

Welcome to your December edition of The Stakeholder Bulletin from the Vulnerability Knowledge and Practice Programme (VKPP) - designed to keep you updated with our work.

This will be the last bulletin before the festive break so we thank you for your support in 2023 and hope you all enjoy some time off with family and friends. See you in 2024!

New Year – New conference !

Vulnerability and Exploitation Conference 2024

The National Vulnerability and Exploitation Conference will take place on Thursday **7 and Friday 8 March 2024**, hosted by the Hydrant Programme, Tackling Organised Exploitation (TOEX) Programme and Vulnerability, Knowledge, and Practice Programme (VKPP).

The conference would benefit **investigators/practitioners** or those who are involved in developing, shaping and **leading** safeguarding and public protection responses. The conference would also benefit those in the **research community** who are leading, commissioning and undertaking research in this area.

Delegates will be able to attend the conference either **in-person for free** (accommodation is not included), at the College of Policing in Ryton, or **virtually**.

We already have an exciting range of inputs from victims and survivors, as well as key-note speakers, both internal and external to policing and we'll be announcing more details on this very soon.

As in-person delegate places are

limited, we encourage anyone who is interested to register as soon as possible via the link below.

For more details and to register for the conference, please use the following link: **Vulnerability and Exploitation Conference 2024 (swoogo.com)**



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National Analysis of Police-Recorded Child Sexual Abuse Crimes Report

Our CSAE regional analysts are busy working on the annual report, previously known as The Totality of Police Recorded Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Report, which aims to provide a more comprehensive picture of trends and reports in respect of child sexual abuse and exploitation, helping to inform and drive the policing and

partner response to protect victims, pursue offenders, and prevent harm.

The report is due for publication in December 2023 for our internal audiences and for the first time a public facing summary version will also be published annually.



Programme Vacancies

Project Officer | [Vulnerability Knowledge and Practice Programme \(vkpp.org.uk\)](https://www.vkpp.org.uk)

Closes Friday 8 December

Mandatory reporting duty consultation on Child Abuse

The NPCC have now responded to the mandatory reporting duty consultation on Child Abuse. A letter from VKPP director Gareth Edwards, Ian Critchley QPM and ACC Rachel Jones has been published which sets out the position and the commitment to work with HM Government in this area to drive improvements in the response to child abuse and to protect those in need. To read letter in full www.vkpp.org.uk/news/news/nppcc-responds-to-the-mandatory-reporting-duty-consultation-in-relation-to-child-abuse/

