

Request

- 1. If the council has a plan intended to specifically address gang-based child sexual exploitation, or if such a strategy is incorporated within a larger strategy to address CSE.
- 2. 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)

3. 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.

- 4. The amount of compensation awarded by the local Nil authority to the victims of CSE between the years 2018 - 2024 and the number of individuals to whom it was awarded.
- 5. 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.

Response

We are signatories to the Greater-Manchester-Complex-Safeguarding-<u>Strategy-Final.pdf</u> which is a larger strategy to address CSF.

No motions have been submitted by Councillors since July 2024 calling for a local or national inquiry into grooming gangs in which this local authority would participate.

A motion was submitted however, in relation to Wigan Council supporting Oldham Council's request that a full national enquiry is undertaken into the grooming gangs. More information on this motion can be found via the following links:

- Agenda for Council 22nd January, 2025
- Motions Report 220125.pdf

No, since July 2024 Wigan Council has not engaged in correspondence with the Home Office regarding a local inquiry into grooming gangs.

Nil