



AREA BASED DISCUSSIONS FEBRUARY 2021

Believe in
children



Barnardo's



WARWICKSHIRE SESSION

wait times

2 MONTHS OR LESS
WITH 43% OF
ATTENDEES
NOTICING AN
INCREASE IN WAIT
TIMES DUE TO
COVID-19.

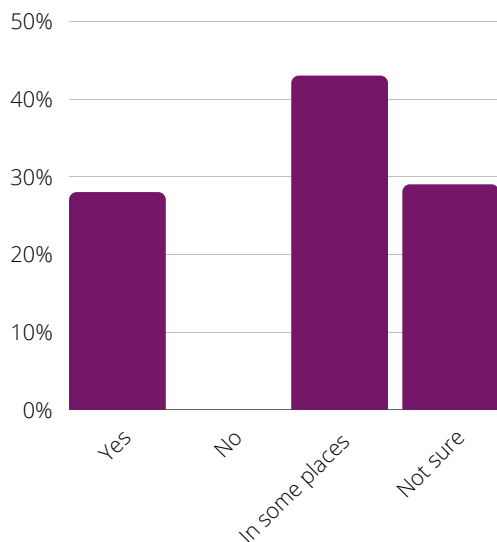
Key discussion points

- SafeLine has a new project coordinated by Shanta called '**No Racism Here Project**' focusing on barriers for young people from culture backgrounds not disclosing, reporting or receiving support for the abuse they have experienced.
- Discussed the differences between CSE and CSA services and the need for both across the area.
- If a young person is known to the police, and they are also victims of sexual abuse, young people have reported feeling as if they're treated as offenders and 'undeserving' victims.

CSA training

86% OF ATTENDEES
THINK THEIR
ORGANISATION
COULD BENEFIT
FROM SOME CSA
TRAINING BY THE
BEACON PROJECT

Do you think there is a wide range
of services for parents/carers
whose children have experienced CSA?

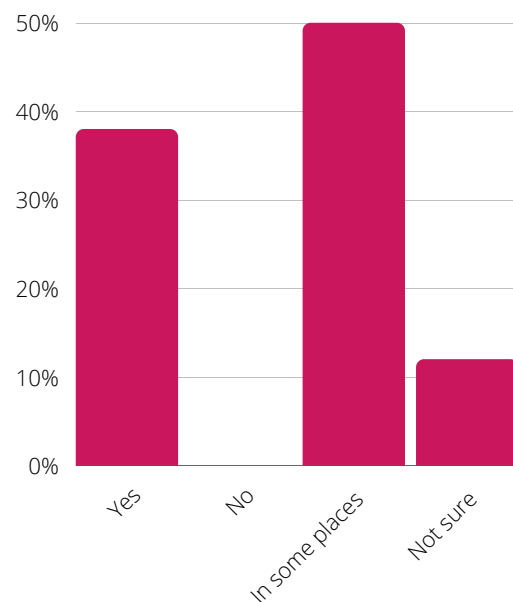


confident to refer

72% OF ATTENDEES
WERE VERY
CONFIDENT OR
CONFIDENT REFERRING
PARENTS/CARERS

ALL ATTENDEES WERE
VERY CONFIDENT OR
CONFIDENT REFERRING
YOUNG PEOPLE

Do you think there is a wide range of services
for young people who have experienced CSA?



9 attendees

ALL OF WHICH UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT
BARNARDO'S BEACON PROJECT AND
ABOUT THE CSA SERVICE NEEDS IN THE
AREA

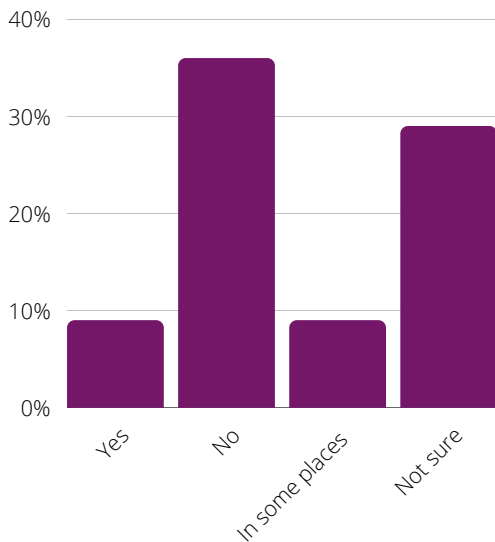


WEST MIDLANDS SESSION

wait times

45% SAID 1-2 MONTHS AND 45% SAID 3-4 MONTHS. 2/3 ATTENDEES NOTICING AN INCREASE IN WAIT TIMES DUE TO COVID-19.

Do you think there is a wide range of services for parents/carers whose children have experienced CSA?



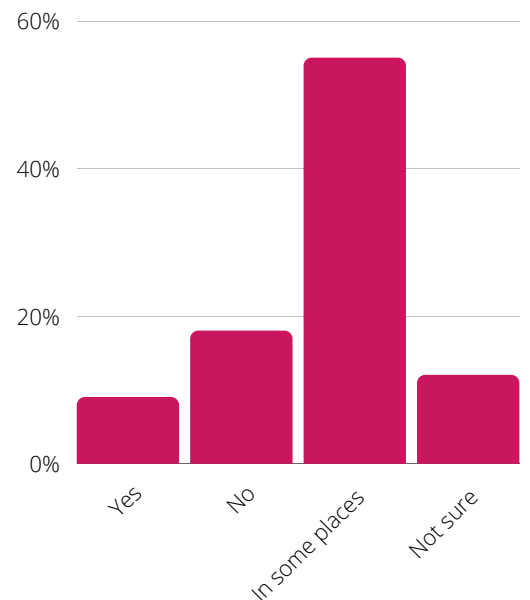
Key discussion points

- How diverse are our services and how well equipped are we all to support those who do not have English as their first language?
- Discussions took place about the **differences between Child Sexual Abuse and Child Sexual Exploitation** and the need for different therapeutic support/intervention and training.
- FGM provision in the West Midlands is not always available or consistent and this was a worry for some.
- It can be challenging to see the signs of CSA and young people disclosing - **person Centred ways of working are key** and building good relationships where young people can trust and feel safe are really important.

CSA training

4/5 ATTENDEES THINK THEIR ORGANISATION COULD BENEFIT FROM SOME CSA TRAINING BY THE BEACON PROJECT

Do you think there is a wide range of services for young people who have experienced CSA?



confident to refer

NOBODY FELT VERY CONFIDENT REFERRING YOUNG PEOPLE OR PARENTS/CARERS.

OVER HALF OF ATTENDEES FELT OKAY ABOUT THE REFERRAL PROCESSES, WITH HIGHER LEVELS WHEN REFERRING YOUNG PEOPLE.

13 attendees

ALL OF WHICH UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT BARNARDO'S BEACON PROJECT AND OVER HALF NOW UNDERSTAND ABOUT THE CSA SERVICE NEEDS IN THE AREA

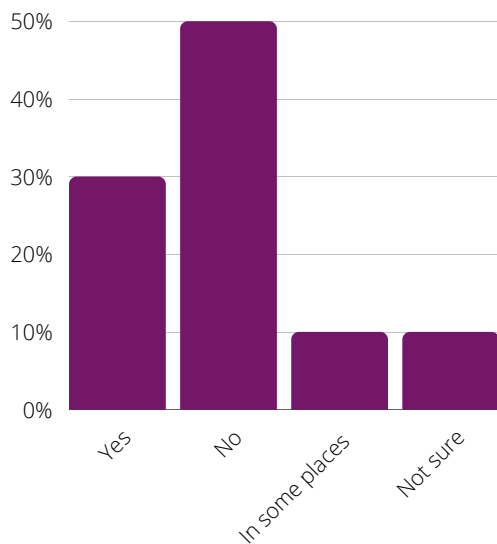


WEST MERCIA SESSION

wait times

40% OF SERVICES
HAVE LESS THAN A 2
MONTH WAIT.
HALF OF SERVICES
HAVE MORE THAN A
YEAR - THIS IS
COUNSELLING
SUPPORT

Do you think there is a wide range
of services for parents/carers
whose children have experienced CSA?



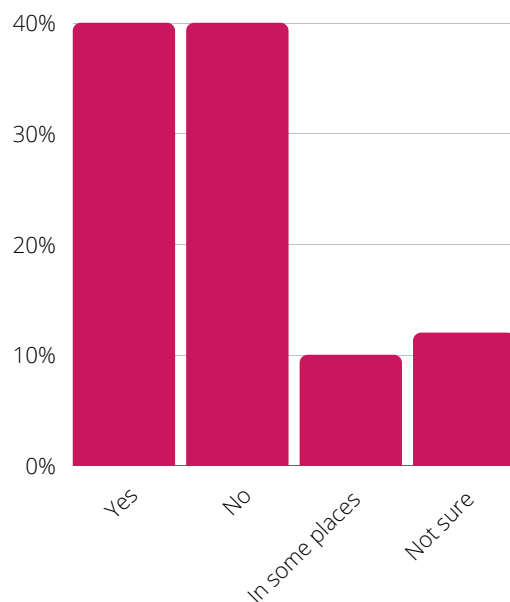
Key discussion points

- Counselling provision for under 11's is difficult especially during COVID.
- getting **support for young people who have displayed sexualised behaviours** has been a challenge and there's not enough service provision locally.
- parents And family dynamics can be a barrier to young people receiving support especially where the abuse has been intra familial.
- Police Officers aren't always aware of the signposting routes for young people, especially where online sexual abuse has taken place.

CSA training

100% OF ATTENDEES
THINK THEIR
ORGANISATION
COULD BENEFIT
FROM SOME CSA
TRAINING BY THE
BEACON PROJECT

Do you think there is a wide range of services
for young people who have experienced CSA?



confident to refer

1/3 OF ATTENDEES ARE
VERY CONFIDENT
REFERRING YOUNG
PEOPLE AND PARENTS.

10% PEOPLE DID NOT
FEEL CONFIDENT AT
ALL WITH YOUNG
PEOPLE AND THIS
INCREASED TO 20%
WITH PARENTS AND
CARER REFERRALS.

10 attendees

ALL OF WHICH UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT
BARNARDO'S BEACON PROJECT AND 50%
NOW UNDERSTAND ABOUT THE CSA
SERVICE NEEDS IN THE AREA



STAFFORDSHIRE SESSION

wait times

80% WAIT LESS
THAN 4 MONTHS.
SOME COUNSELLING
SERVICES SEE TIMES
OF UP TO 1 YEAR

67% SAY THESE HAVE
INCREASED WITH
COVID.

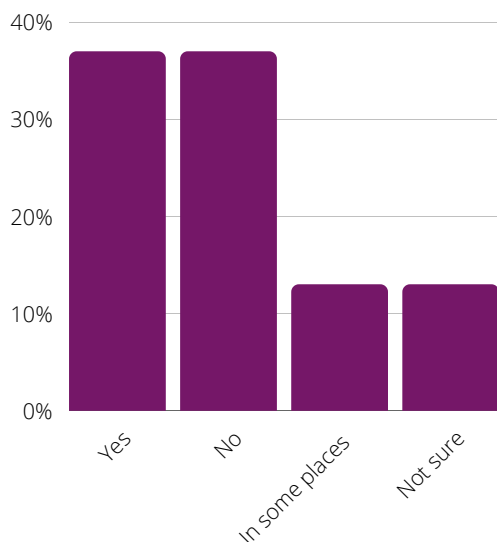
Key discussion points

- Some young people are choosing to wait until face to face services resume as virtual/telephone is not something they want at the moment.
- discussed **diversity and inclusion** and how services support the LGBTQ+ community, people of colour, the traveller community and those who do not have English as their first language - is it enough to advertise that Services are inclusive or do services need to have specialist training in these areas and workers who represent these communities?
- The amount of services for young people who have been sexually exploited have increased but not the amount of CSA services.

CSA training

70% ATTENDEES
THINK THEIR
ORGANISATION
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FROM SOME CSA
TRAINING BY THE
BEACON PROJECT

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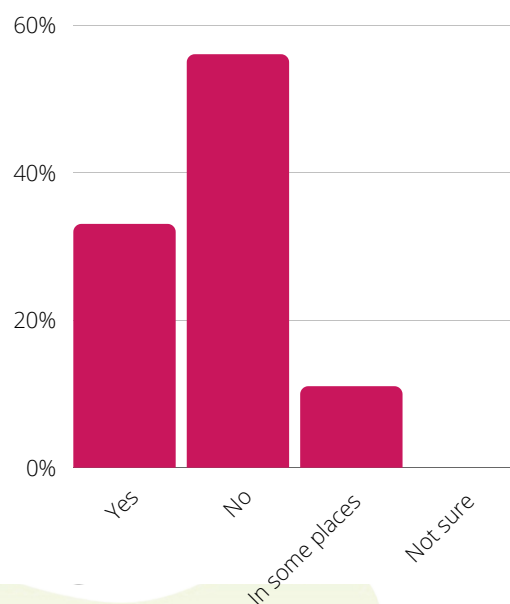


confident to refer

OVER 90% OF
ATTENDEES ARE
CONFIDENT OR VERY
CONFIDENT WITH
REFERRING YOUNG
PEOPLE,

3/4 OF ATTENDEES ARE
VERY CONFIDENT OR
CONFIDENT IN
REFERRING PARENTS
AND CARERS.

Do you think there is a wide range of services
for young people who have experienced CSA?



10 attendees

ALL OF WHICH UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT
BARNARDO'S BEACON PROJECT AND JUST
UNDER HALF NOW UNDERSTAND ABOUT
THE CSA SERVICE NEEDS IN THE AREA



things you
have said

what we
are doing next

“training and support
on the differences
between CSE and CSA”



work with local CSE and
CSA providers to gather
more info and include in
Beacon training

“Are we supporting all
areas of our
community and being
diverse”



amplifying the voice of
different communities
on our website and in
our training

“more awareness
and support for
young people who
are
displaying Harmful
sexual behaviours”



developing our
therapeutic offer for
young people displaying
HSB with awareness
raising for professionals

“therapeutic support
for parents and
carers isn't always
available in all
areas”



developing our
therapeutic offer for
parents and carers
including resources and
sessions

in April we will be running some thematic sessions for different groups of professionals this will include things like Harmful Sexualised Behaviour, Parent/Carer support, how we support under 10's and how we support young people in the LGBTQ+ community. Please get in touch if you have a theme you'd like to cover or support us with!