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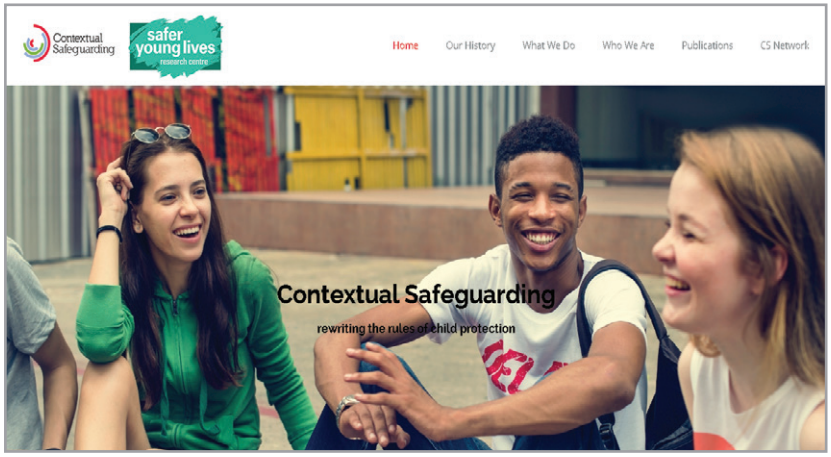
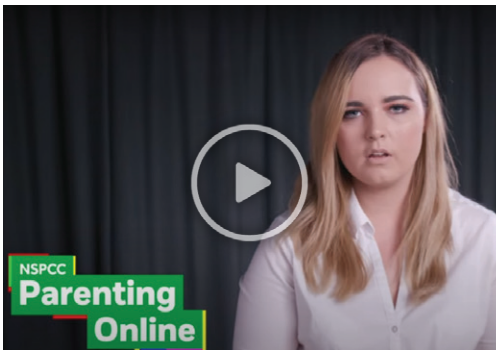


What is Contextual Safeguarding?

Contextual Safeguarding is an approach to understanding, and responding to, young people's experiences of significant harm beyond their families. It recognises that the different relationships that young people form in their neighbourhoods, schools and online can feature violence and abuse. Parents and carers have little influence over these contexts, and young people's experiences of extra-familial abuse can undermine parent-child relationships. Find out more here: https://contextualsafeguarding.org.uk/



Sexual harassment, online sexual abuse and sexual violence between children and learners.

Online abuse can include sending abusive, harassing and misogynistic messages; sharing nude and semi-nude images and videos; and coercing others to make and share sexual imagery.

Unfortunately, social media is also widely used by abusers. Many perpetrators 'hide' behind the fact that they may not be able to be readily identified, saying things that they wouldn't consider saying face-to-face.
Watch this clip of a young person's harrowing story about being groomed online and what to look out for: https://youtu.be/5P4alQgtHNA

Latest News

Department for Education

The Department for Education (DfE) has published an updated version of the statutory safeguarding and child protection guidance for schools in England, Keeping children safe in education (DfE, 2021a). This guidance replaces Keeping children safe in education 2020 and came into force on 1 September 2021.

Get Safe Online

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Get Safe Online is the UK's leading source of unbiased, factual and easy-to-understand information on online safety. Visit the website to keep up to date on practical advice and tips on how to keep safe online, including the latest fraudulent hacks and emails to be aware of. https://www.getsafeonline.org/

'Catfish' – do you know what this term means?

Urbandictionary.com defines a 'catfish' as: *'Someone who pretends to be someone they're not using Facebook or other social media to create false identities, particularly to pursue deceptive online romances.'*

Not all 'fake profiles' are catfish. Some fake profiles are created with a purpose to 'troll' others online, which is a criminal offence). Read this blog by Anna Rowe to find out more:
https://www.getsafeonline.org/personal/blog-item/what-is-a-catfish/