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Subject: RE: Grooming Gangs

Thanks Redacted Just to confirm I've popped the key points from each of those into the briefing Safeguarding colleagues are putting together. Huge thanks to forces for turning that around so quickly and for the concise contributions as well – FM likes things really 'short and sharp' so its really helpful to have short and to-the-point contributions to add in. She says she refuses to read anything longer than six bullet points!

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Hi Redacted – talk about London buses 😊

Just had the response below from North Wales Police

The Serious and Organised Crime Unit (SOCU) in force are investigating a very small, yet complex, number of grooming investigations. Both have Senior Investigation Officer oversight.

Generally, the SOCU and Protecting Vulnerable Persons Unit (PVPU) have a well-established utilisation of 'Operation Hydrant' plus North Wales has a Gold Group running specifically for the management and oversight of grooming investigations. This is chaired by a Detective Chief Superintendent and meets monthly. That Gold Group reports in to force governance structures so there is chief officer oversight. Finally, given the NWP force area covers six local authorities, we have an excellent working relationship with the various safeguarding teams in each LA which gives us quick and ready access at the point of demand, should it be required.