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Dear Geoff

I have recently had an interesting discussion with Cllr David Rose whom you may know is the Council's Cabinet Member with responsibility for Environment. He is also Ward Councillor for Oxbridge and Parkfield, which historically has suffered implications from the prevalence of sex workers.

He was keen to understand any link between exploitation in the sex industry and children at risk and possibly entering the care system. He was keen to know more about what preventative work was taking place and what opportunities, if appropriate, there may be to target early intervention to minimise strain on workload pressures and cases entering more formal procedures.

Of specific interest and the reason for my writing was he that he did ask what consideration had the SSP given with regard to these issues and I feel it correct to inform you. As you would expect, I have picked up the issues internally within the Council.

Yours sincerely



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