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Dear Minister

At its planning meeting on 7th November 2024 Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership agreed that:

The PCSP Manager write to the Education Minister and Education Committee regarding; the need for a more centralised approach to providing age-appropriate developmental support for children and young adults at risk of engaging in unhealthy relationships with a focus on existing and emerging trends including but not exclusively limited to: Child Sexual Exploitation, Adverse Childhood Experiences, Domestic Abuse, Healthy Relationships, Rape, Consent and Sexting.

Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP members identified a “gap” in services for a Teenagers Healthy Relationships Programme. Causeway & Mid Ulster (also in partnership with Foyle Women’s Aid) were successful in the tender process and have delivered education sessions throughout Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area schools.

Topics covered were; Relationships (Healthy/Unhealthy), Coercive Control, Consent, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence & Abusive Relationships, Self-care, Sexting & Social Media Risks and Safety Planning. An evaluation of the programme was very positive and the PCSP would be happy to share this and the details of the programme.

The PCSP believe that this programme should be funded centrally and consistently for all children and young adults.

It would be appreciated that you give this matter your earliest attention and look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely



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