

# MODERN SLAVERY IN CHILDREN

## SPOTTING THE SIGNS

### DID YOU KNOW?

- in 2019 almost half of victims of Modern Slavery identified in the UK were exploited as children
- of those over half were British nationals
- children are never able to give informed consent to engage in exploitative activity



### SCHOOL AND SOCIAL LIFE

- Behaviour not typical of their age.
- Have no friends their own age.
- Have no access to education.
- Have no time for playing.
- Persistently missing from home and / or school.
- Decline in school performance.



### LIVING SITUATION

- Unfamiliar with the local area.
- Unsure of where they live.
- Live somewhere inappropriate.



### MOOD AND BEHAVIOUR

- Withdrawal and / or sudden change in personality or behaviour.
- Unwilling to explain their whereabouts.
- Found out of area and / or travelling to locations they have no obvious connections with.
- Travel unaccompanied by adults.



### OTHER WARNING SIGNS

- Engaged in work that is not suitable for children.
- Unexplained money, clothes, accessories or mobile phones.
- Receive excessive texts or calls.
- Have multiple phones and / or sim cards.
- Gang association or isolated from peers.

## WHO TO CALL

If a child is in immediate danger call the Police on: **999**

To report a Child Safeguarding concern call Lincolnshire Children's Services: **01522 782111** (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm) or **01522 782333** (outside of office hours)

For help, advice or to report a suspicion call the Modern Slavery & Exploitation helpline on: **08000 121700**

Or download the  
**Unseen App** for more  
information regarding  
signs of Modern  
Slavery