People are there to help you:

If it's an emergency: Ring 999

If you have concerns regarding children in Rotherham: 01709 823987 or Childline on 0800 1111

If you would like to share information which might help protect a child you can contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 anonymously, or the Police on 101





IS THIS YOU

You are friends with older adults

You have an older boyfriend or girlfriend

You stay out late and even all night

You don't stay in with your family, and friends your own age, very much

You have lost contact with friends

You don't go to school

You've tried or use drugs and alcohol

You are chatting to people online who you have never met

You are having sex with men or women you don't want to?

If any of it is you, then you are at risk.

WHY AMUAT RISK

We know that some adults, maybe like the older people you are hanging around with, draw young people just like you into sexual relationships.

They are nice to you – show you a lot of interest and affection in the beginning – to make you feel special.

Sometimes they ask groups of young people to come back to their house with older people.



They offer you drugs and alcohol – a place to chill out. They may even buy you presents like clothes, a mobile phone or credit, even give you money to buy things.

When they have gained your trust and affection they may change how they act around you.

They will ask for sexual favours for themselves and/or other people, in return for alcohol, drugs, presents, money; all the things they gave you free a while ago. They stop being nice and can become threatening and violent.

Their aim is to draw young people like you into swapping or selling sex. They are not really your friends.

People are worried about you and that is why you have this leaflet.

Either your parents or a professional have noticed the warning signs and raised concerns that you may become involved in sexual exploitation.

The adults who have taken advantage of you are responsible and they are the people who have done something wrong.

You are not to blame if this is happening to you.