



Keeping children safe in Bedfordshire

What's happening?

 **675**
sexual offences against children under the age of 16 recorded by police last year

 **423**
children were the subject of a child protection plan

 **958**
children were in care

 **1 in 3**
young people have seen something worrying or nasty online

What we are doing to help

Visiting schools



In 2019/20, our *Speak out. Stay safe.* volunteers and staff visited **80 schools** and spoke to **20,712 children**



With your help, over the next 3 years, we can **visit all 249 schools** in Bedfordshire

Giving children a voice



On average, a child somewhere in the UK contacts Childline **every 25 seconds**



In 2019/20 our Childline volunteers delivered almost **240,000 counselling sessions** to children and young people



We estimate around **2,700** of these children lived in Bedfordshire

Supporting the community to change childhoods



We're working with **O2** to keep children safe online via our Net Aware tool and online safety advice helpline



Our **resources and guidance** help coaches, sports clubs and community groups in Bedfordshire keep children safe



We've worked with communities in Bedfordshire to help more parents **talk PANTS and keep children safe**

Face-to-face support for families



Helping children **recover from abuse** and working with families to prevent abuse



Services like **Letting the Future In** help children rebuild their lives



We **gather evidence and share the learning** so other organisations can help more children in communities like yours

Taking action to protect children



Our helpline responded to almost **69,000 contacts** last year from people with concerns about a child's welfare



We made **427 referrals** from our helpline to local agencies like the police and children's services

We can only keep doing this with your support. **Join us at nspcc.org.uk**

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR