

Why was TOPAZ formed

❖ Serious Case Reviews – Whilst Police Investigation was active, often for months – some time for years, no attempts were made to disrupt suspects – abuse remained ongoing

❖ Resources and Financial – Avon and Somerset Police face challenges in setting up and sustaining large CSE investigations.

❖ The traditional approach was not working

WE WERE PUTTING ALL THE PRESURE ON THE CHILD AND NOT ON THE SUSPECT

Topaz formed as pilot for Bristol only in 2017 and is now a force wide team



CARING



COURAGEOUS



INCLUSIVE



LEARNING