STOPLOANSHNRKS Intervention . Support . Education **England Illegal Money Lending Team**

Vinnie Jarman – Liaise Officer IMLT introduction October 2022

Hosted by Birmingham City Council

Who we are

- England Illegal Money Lending Team
- Remit to prosecute loan sharks
- Team of investigators, seconded police officers, FI's, Intelligence team
- Regional Liaise Officers
- Hosted by BCC

What we do

- Prosecute unlicensed lenders Financial Services & Markets Act 2000 – it is a criminal offence to lend money without a permission from FCA
- Supporting victims of loan sharks
- 1.08 million people in debt to loan sharks

Aim of training sessions

- Increase awareness of IMLT
- Increase people's ability to identify victims of Loan Sharks
- Allowing them to help victims access specialist support
- Understand how else we can support
- Intelligence sharing

Why is this important?

- PREVENTION & SAFEGUARDING
- Over a third had considered suicide
- 59% reported having a health condition
- 30% use a food bank
- 52% borrowed for everyday household bills and costs, over half of these specifically stated food and fuel as the reason for the loan. (Jan-Jun 2022)

Ways to contact the team

- Helpline 0300 555 2222 (open all day everyday)
- www.stoploansharks.co.uk
- www.facebook.com/StopLoanSharksEngland/
- Stop Loan Sharks England (@SLSEngland) / Twitter
- www.instagram.com/stoploansharksengland
- <u>https://www.tiktok.com/@stoploansharksengland</u>
- <u>https://www.linkedin.com/company/stoploansharksengland</u>
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/StopLoanSharksEngland</u>
- Live chat on website 9am to 5pm (Mon-Fri)

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