

Forced Marriage

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What is Forced Marriage?

Forced marriage is a crime.



In June 2014 forcing someone to marry became a crime.



This is where one or both people do not agree to get married.



Lincolnshire police want to support ALL victims of forced marriage.



Anyone forcing someone to marry can face up to 7 years in prison.

Seeing the Signs...



Both men and women can be forced to marry.



Someone being forced to marry may become nervous, frightened, scared and unhappy.

People may suddenly meet or pick them up from work, college or an activity.



Their money may be controlled or taken off them.



People may change their routines, other people might stop them doing things they normally do.



They may not turn up to school, college or university or may not return from a visit to another country.



They may suddenly get engaged to a stranger or someone they don't know very well.



They may get pregnant at a young age or have an unwanted pregnancy.

Where to get help.



People should not be forced to marry.



People should not be abused.



People should not be forced to have sex when they don't want to.



Lincolnshire Police are here to help and support you and to prosecute anyone involved in forcing someone to marry.



If you are in danger call **999**.



If you are not in danger contact Lincolnshire police on **101**.

Useful Contacts and Organisations

Forced Marriage Unit

0207 008 0151

www.gov.uk/forced-marriage

Childline

0800 1111

www.childline.org.uk

Karma Nirvana

0800 599 9247

www.karmanirvana.org.uk

NSPCC

0808 800 5000

www.nspcc.org.uk



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POLICE



101

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ALWAYS
CALL **999**

Lincolnshire Police Headquarters, PO Box 999, Lincoln LN5 7PH

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