

STOP MODERN SLAVERY

15th - 25th October 2021

The project and why

- 40 million people are estimated to be trapped in modern slavery worldwide
- 1 in 4 of them are children.
- Almost three quarters (71%) are women and girls.
- Over 10,000 were identified as potential victims by the authorities in the UK in 2019.

Modern Slavery today includes:

- <u>County Lines</u>; When drug gangs from big cities expand their operations to smaller towns, often using violence to drive out local dealers and exploiting children and vulnerable people to sell drugs. These dealers will use dedicated mobile phone lines, known as 'deal lines', to take orders from drug users.
- <u>Human trafficking</u>; The use of violence, threats or coercion to transport, recruit or harbour people in order to exploit them for purposes such as forced prostitution, labour, criminality, marriage or organ removal.
- Forced labour; Any work or services people are forced to do against their will under threat of punishment.
- <u>Debt bondage/bonded labour</u>; The world's most widespread form of slavery. People trapped in poverty borrow money and are forced to work to pay off the debt, losing control over both their employment conditions and the debt.
- Descent-based slavery; Most traditional form, where people are treated as property, and their "slave" status was passed down the maternal line.
- <u>Slavery of children</u>; When a child is exploited for someone else's gain. This can include child trafficking, child soldiers, child marriage and child domestic slavery.
- Forced and early marriage; When someone is married against their will and cannot leave. Most child marriages can be considered slavery.

The Young People's Art Exhibition

This is an important part of the project and aims to raise awareness for our young people and adults alike. Our young people have been given the opportunity to reflect on some of these and to create artwork which represents their thinking and feelings on this subject.

Please do take the time to visit the Chapter House of Salisbury Cathedral to see our young people's artwork.

How you can get involved

- Use various resources to explore County Lines and other forms of Modern Slavery to raise awareness with family and friends.
- Know who to contact if a crime is being committed.
- Visit the Young People's Art Exhibition in the Chapter House of Salisbury Cathedral.
- Attend some of the virtual guest speaker sessions. Information for these can be found on the Salisbury Diocese Website.
- Form community action groups with local school staff and governors, the PTFA, churches, youth groups, local businesses, foodbanks and other organisations.

