

# Statement Against the Licensing of Strip Clubs



## Men at Work

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Men at Work delivers bespoke training, presentations and workshops on 'Understanding Social Influences on Boys & Young Men' to professionals in a wide range of settings, as well as delivering programmes directly with boys and young men. This is carried out in a wide range of settings - Primary and Secondary schools, Further Education colleges, universities, the Youth Justice Service, Early Help, CSE / CSA teams and Local Authorities.

We have organised regional and national conferences on male socialisation and accountability – relating to Violence-Reduction, Domestic Abuse, Coercive Control, Street Harassment and Sexual Harassment in the workplace as well as male mental health, emotional expressiveness and risk-taking behaviour.

We offer targeted Continuing Professional Development for professionals in unpicking social influences on boys and young men and how they can manifest in a range of problematic behaviours.

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Abundant and reliable public-domain evidence suggests that strip clubs are both partial cause and partial consequence of a range of dysfunctional social practices which both harm women and compound problems in the healthy development of men as egalitarian social actors.

- [Working conditions](#) are dangerous, precarious and manipulative
- The presence of a strip club impacts on the incidence of sexual and other crimes, as well as an increased fear amongst women of travelling / walking. See [here](#) and [here](#)

Sexist cultural messages about women's subordinate role in relation to men are inescapably and obviously reinforced by the strip club 'dynamic'

This is why we call for an end to the licensing of the strip industry.