

Case study work

A complaint was received at Brighter Futures about inappropriate behaviour by a male social worker.

A young woman, Kirsten, aged 17 stated that she was sitting beside the young male social worker and he was looking down her top. She looked up and they ended up looking directly at each other. She asked "*What were you doing?*". The social worker smiled and said "*not what you think*".

As part of the investigation Brighter Futures met with the young woman's foster carer and asked about any information that could be contributed. The foster carer stated that the young woman probably wore a low-cut top deliberately as she was known to seek attention from men older than her. The foster carer went on to say that she had noticed this behaviour getting worse since she had begun hanging out with the girls who were into their rnb and hip hop and spending a fortune on their fancy weaves and doing that disgusting dancing"

Task

What are your thoughts about the foster carer's response and how the investigating social worker might follow this up?

List some questions that you would like to ask.