

## Scenario 7 - Alison

After a couple of violent relationships, Alison met Zac. “the best thing since sliced bread” through a dating agency. Following a whirlwind romance, where he helped her cope with the demands of her two young children and financial troubles. Zac moved in to save money on rent. He started sexually abusing the children soon after, and although Alison is concerned about his boundaries, she can’t believe anything serious is going on.

### For discussion:

- What action could Alison have taken to prevent the abuse taking place?
- Could she have used the Keeping Children Safe scheme?
- Are there any behaviours in the abuser that could have alerted Alison?
- Social issues for Alison
- Alison’s own history growing up (previous experience of abuse might have made her more vulnerable or susceptible to grooming etc.)?