

Labour ABANDONS plans for five local grooming gang inquiries

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Labour has dropped plans for grooming gang inquiries, making the announcement on the final day before Parliament breaks up for Easter recess.

In January, Home Secretary Yvette Cooper announced £5million to fund five local inquiries into grooming abuse gangs, but today it has been updated to a “flexible” £5million fund.

Instead of funding five locally-led inquiries, Safeguarding Minister [Jess Phillips](#) said they would back “locally-led work on grooming gangs”.



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Tory MP Robbie Moore said “That is a complete and utter

disgrace.”

Katie Lam MP, who responded to the statement, told GB News: “Children across Britain have been sexually tortured by gangs of men. We must confront the reality of these crimes and how so many people in positions of power let them go on so long. Local inquiries are not good enough – they can’t compel witnesses, they can’t look at themes across the country, and they can’t address national issues like deportation. Now the Government is watering them down even further . . . ”

In reply to Ms Lam, [Ms Phillips said](#): “I think it’s a shame she only referred to one sort of child abuse victim when the statement is clearly about all child abuse victims, of which there should be no hierarchy. “

One of the things we don’t know about the “Five local inquiries” is which [towns, cities or districts](#) were to be inquired into, although Oldham is believed to be one.

Robbie Moore is MP for Keighley which is part of the Greater Bradford Council district. It’s a big area and covers Bradford city which is 30% Muslim, out across mainly white working class towns like Bingley and Keighley (where the victims came from) and some nicer posh districts like Ilkley and Saltaire. Local opinion is that inquiries into the situations in Greater Bradford and Oldham (a town within the conurbation of Greater Manchester) would reveal abuse on a par or exceeding that of Rochdale (also part of Greater Manchester and the terminus of the tram that goes through Oldham) and Rotherham (just outside Sheffield in South Yorkshire). And that the demographic make up of the Councils of those districts means that they are likely to resist an inquiry in their area as long and as far as they can.

This is Robbie Moore this afternoon challenging Jess Phillips the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State in the Home Office, with responsibility for safeguarding and violence against women and girls (unless they are white victims of a grooming

gang, or facing down a transwo man)

□BREAKING: Today Labour have BROKEN their promises to rape gang victims.

Last week, we exposed the truth about Labour's rape gangs strategy.

Now, on the last day before Parliament breaks up for Easter, Ministers were forced to come to Parliament and admit what we uncovered..... pic.twitter.com/qpdo6Wwqo0

– Robbie Moore MP (@_RobbieMoore) [April 8, 2025](#)

And this is [Katie Lam](#) who followed him. Most of the time I wonder why Conservative MPs didn't do something when they were in power for 14 years. Miss Lam is very young (from where I'm standing) and has only been an MP since 2024 and the last election. So she is speaking out now. You can hear the sincerity in her voice towards the end. Listen to her; because she has parliamentary privilege she can repeat these statements (which are in the public domain as court transcripts but . . .) and define the rapists and abusers as Muslim in complete safety.

Full respect to Conservative MP [@Katie_Lam_MP](#).

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– Rupert Lowe MP (@RupertLowe10) [April 8, 2025](#)