(CONSULTATION DRAFT) Birmingham Domestic Abuse Prevention Strategy 2017-2020

Vision: Birmingham aspires to be a city where everyone lives free from domestic violence and abuse

To achieve this, Birmingham will:

- Strengthen its co-ordinated multi-agency response to domestic abuse and ensure that domestic abuse is identified and responded to effectively at the earliest opportunity.
- Prevent domestic abuse for our next generation by working with children and young people to build healthy relationship skills based on equality and respect
- Work with the wider community to ensure that domestic abuse is confronted and addressed in every aspect of Birmingham life so that victims have confidence to disclose and abusers will know that they will be held to account.

| | Outcome | Action | Measure | Target | Responsible Partnership & Alignment to Strategic Plan |
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| Changing Attitudes | Increase in healthy relationship skills | Promote healthy relationship programmes and whole school approaches with schools, colleges, youth settings and universities Support the development of curriculum materials on violence against women and girls | Number of schools committed to a whole school approach and West Midlands Domestic Abuse Standards | Increase | BHWBB: make children in need safer BEHP: children and young people able to attend, learn and maximise their potential at school; young people ready for and able to contribute to adult life |
| | Decrease in social tolerance of domestic abuse | Widen public awareness campaigns and community engagement encouraging community led preventative approaches working closely with community and voluntary organisations and faith groups Targeted engagement around forced marriage and honour based violence Targeted engagement with under-represented groups including LGBT victims and disabled women Introduce 'Ask Me' schemes for safe disclosure in everyday settings Introduce domestic abuse workforce policies across the city | Victims seeking advice from domestic abuse helpline (and diversity) Police reports of domestic abuse, forced marriage and honour based violence Number of organisations with workforce policies | Increase Increase Increase | BCSP: Deterrence and Prevention |
| Early Help | Domestic abuse is identified early and escalation prevented | Transformation of mainstream approach to domestic abuse including city wide workforce development plan accompanied by best practice guidance and toolkits Introduce early identification and referral pathways with 'trusted professionals' and across health and social care settings Support the Social Emotional & Mental Health Pathfinder Support cross-over workforce development between domestic abuse, substance misuse and mental health | Children experiencing domestic abuse admitted to care Children in need experiencing domestic abuse Referrals to DA services including mental health, primary care and A&E, safeguarding adults, substance misuse and housing services | Reduce Reduce Increase | BCSP: Deterrence and Prevention BHWBB: make children in need safer |
| | Domestic abuse victims (adults and children) are able to recover from abuse | Directly support recovery from abuse for victims and their children Develop Domestic Abuse Hub style model and review how each of the city's hubs respond to domestic abuse Integrated multi-agency commissioning Evaluate for potential roll-out of child to parent abuse programme | Numbers of adults receiving DA specialist support particularly from under-represented groups such as older women, disabled women and LGBT victims Numbers of children receiving DA specific support Clearly defined Birmingham budget across agencies capable of securing care pathways from early identification, protecting refuge provision and meeting diverse needs through targeted services to under-represented or vulnerable groups | Increase | BHWB: Improve the wellbeing of vulnerable children BEHP: Healthy, happy and resilient children living in families BCSP: Supporting the Vulnerable |
| | Reduction in risk of harm from domestic abusers | Develop an multi-agency abuser management framework of co- ordinated multi-agency action to prevent abusers continuing to harm Support commissioning of RESPECT accreditable perpetrator programmes | Number of high risk, serial and repeat DA offenders Number of successful prosecutions Number of civil orders, restraining orders, Domestic Violence and Forced Marriage Protection Orders, sanctuary schemes | Reduce Increase Increase | BCSP: Prevention and deterrence BEHP: Families make positive changes to their behaviour |
| Safety and Support | Domestic abuse victims (adults and children) feel and are safe | Strengthen multi-agency services for high risk and high need including homeless prevention and refuge Strengthen relationship between public protection processes of MARAC, child protection, DV Tasking and Integrated Offender Management | Number of deaths, attempted murders and most serious violence through domestic abuse Number of repeat homelessness through DA Number of DA households in B&B Number of moves through DA between social landlords Multi-agency referral to MARAC Proportion of high risk victims receiving independent support | Reduce Reduce Reduce Increase Increase | BCSP: Supporting the Vulnerable BHWBB: reduce statutory homelessness BEHP: children and young people protected from significant harm |