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Report to: The West Midlands Police and Crime Panel
Report of: Strategic Lead Preventing Violence against Vulnerable People

Preventing Violence against Vulnerable People

1. Report

A West Midlands Preventing Violence Against Vulnerable People Board has recently been established.

Stephen Rimmer, West Midlands Strategic Lead for Preventing Violence Against Vulnerable People will attend to discuss his role and the action plan of the PVVB Board.

Appendix PVVB Action Plan

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Preventing Violence against Vulnerable People across the West Midlands Delivery Plan - 27 Feb 14

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Progress:

Green - on track **Amber** - at risk **Red** - failing **Black** - not yet underway

Task	Action	Lead	Timescale	Progress
1. Governance and Capacity				
	Board			
1	Establish PVVP Board for programme initiation	SR	Feb-14	Green
2	Establish longer term governance and reporting arrangements following PVVP Board	Regional CXs and CC	May-14	Black
	Reference Group			
3	Establish and meet with Reference Group for subject-expert input, challenge and guidance.	SR	First monthly meeting Jan 14	Green
	Capacity			
4	Undertake resource review across Local Authorities/Police/Health on current resource input into PVVP work.	SR/PCCs office	Apr-14	Amber
	Outcomes			
6	Agree key strategic outcomes for PVVP work across West Midlands	PVVP Board	Mar-14	Green
7	Address "critical gap" between strategy formulation and tactical implementation on PVVP issues	PVVP Board	Apr-14	Black
8	Produce annual report on progress	SR	Sep-14	Black
2.Prevention				
	Engagment and communication			

1	Work with BCC and WMP press offices for appropriate media engagement	SR and BCC	ongoing	
2	Engage with political leaders on broader public debate around boundaries in addressing online/cyber threats	SR and Leaders	ongoing	
	Community Mobilisation	SR & YCC reps	ongoing	
3	Convene session to consider the best ways of mobilising the wider community in responding to CSE.	SR/Youth Commissioners	Feb-14	
	Education programme			
4	Work with PCC Youth Crime Commissioners on engaging young people and schools			
5	Convene Education Summit to encourage more consistent engagement with PVVP and wider resilience issues across West Midlands	SR, and Schools, LEAs, BEP	Apr-14	
6	Develop West Midlands - wide commitment to "whole school" safeguarding including "what works" guidelines for schools based programmes	Summit follow up	May-14	
3. Protection				
	CSE			
1	Shared CSE operating standards, screening tool, risk assessments, referral pathways and commissioning best practice piece developed - to be owned by all LSCBs.	CSE T&F Group: John Polychronakis, Tim Bacon, WMP, Liz Murphy, SSCB	Apr-14	
	MASH			
3	Create Birmingham MASH/MAIT - support West Midlands wide learning from Sandwell MASH etc	SR/Sophie Evans	Jun-14	
	Child Trafficking			
4	Establish West Midlands child trafficking advocate pilots	SR initiating	Apr-14	
	DV			
5	Establish an effective West Midlands DV focus	SR	Mar-14	
	Commissioning			

6	Work on commissioning of victims' services, securing early help work (pre high risk victims) and better join up with mental health	SR/LSCBs		
4. Justice				
	Police			
1	Implementation of new police operating model with tackling vulnerability as key priority	CC/PCC	ongoing	
2	Offender management -effective link up to IOM, Probation and Prisons	SR		
	CPS			
3	High impact CPS work to support victims	CPS Public Protection Unit	ongoing	
	Courts			
4	Clear focus of sentencers on new sexual offences guidelines	SR/Judges	ongoing	
5	Consider impact of courts (and SDVCs) closures, and training on sentencing/vulnerable victims	SR/Judges	ongoing	
	Victims			
6	Consider establishment of Victims' Alliance	Victim Support/SR		
5. Capability				
	Hub			
1	Establish West Midlands Public Protection Intelligence Hub	Project Board (SR SRO)	Business case by June 14	
2	Develop broader learning (with Cabinet Office/CLG) around Integrated Public Services provision	SR	ongoing	
3	Lessons from Contact Point and other previous high risk IT programmes	RF	ongoing	
	Leadership			
4	All chief officers/directors of relevant agencies to have a PVVP objective around the shared mission for 2014/15	Chief Executives	Apr-14	
	Support			
5	Clear and transparent support mechanisms to incentivise frontline teams, in taking professional risk-based decisions, and for sanctions around unprofessional behaviours to be fully understood.	SR/PVVP Board	May-14	
6	Complete West Midlands CSE problem profile, incorporating CEOP, OCC and local requirements	CSE T&F Group: Tim Bacon, WMP, Liz Murphy, SSCB	Jun-14	

	Training			
7	Review impact of multiagency training with LSCBs, LSABs, and College of Policing	SR	May-14	
8	Create multi agency good practice case examples to support learning	SR/RF	Apr-14	
6. Evaluation				
1	Develop PVVP work in West Midlands as research site to contribute to the evidence base	SR/West Midlands Police	May-14	
2	OCC 'see me hear me' framework pilot site - consider applying	SR/RF	May-14	
3	College of Policing - RF to speak to Devon and Cornwall lead on evaluation work, SR to speak to College lead	SR/RF	Feb-14	
4	Work with Inspectorates to achieve a multi inspectorate approach	SR	ongoing	
7. National Issues				
1	Public Health - work with PHE Chief Executive and others in developing West Midlands as leader of PVVP work	SR	ongoing	
2	NCA/CEOP - link up national, regional and local law enforcement work	SR/WMP/ROCU	ongoing	
3	Work with Departments and Inspectorates in developing effective multiagency learning	SR	ongoing	
4	Work effectively and take opportunities for direct engagement, pilots etc - with the Home Office, DFE, DH, CLG, MoJ, Cabinet Office, Troubled Families etc	SR	ongoing	
5	Build strong understanding of PVVP development in key parts of the country - notably London, Manchester, wider West Midlands and other areas demonstrating good practice	SR	Ongoing - visits so far to Norfolk/Derbyshire/Rochdale/Oxford/Met and planned for Lancashire/Greater Manchester/Staffordshire/Peterborough	

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PVVP Strategic Leader – what does that mean?

- Co-funded by and accountable to the seven LA Chief Executives and Chief Constable / 2 year secondment from the Home Office
- Assessed effectiveness and impact of existing work to tackle CSE risks and other key domestic and sexual violence threats - report endorsed by Chief Executives and Council Leaders and is now a “Delivery Plan”
- Provides co-ordinated leadership and authoritative public engagement in tackling these threats across the West Midlands
- Ensures serious oversight, support & challenge through a PVVP Board in West Midlands – focus on outcomes

Interaction with the PCC

- Regular engagement and support (alongside more formal accountability as above)
- Youth Police and Crime Commissioners
- Victims
- Community Engagement
- Key Summits / events etc
- Joining up strategic intent to operational practice

What is the mission?

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Some key issues in fulfilling the Mission.....

- Clarity of **outcomes**
- Assurance of priority in **resource planning** across key agencies
- Development of significant **capability** – especially **West Midlands Public Services Intelligence Hub**
- Accelerate a more integrated approach amongst key agencies – including effective build of **Multi Agency Safeguarding Hubs**
- Generate a more consistent approach to **prevention** – particularly in **schools**
- **Mobilise communities** – especially young people and parents – to challenge “normalising” of violence factors, e.g. online porn
- Ramp up disruption and prosecution of **perpetrators**
- Deliver agreed minimum standards in **tackling Child Sexual Exploitation** consistently across West Midlands
- Generate a stronger commitment to consistent operational practice in **tackling Domestic Violence** across West Midlands
- **Child Trafficking pilot**

Some challenges

- How robust is the commitment to moving from “partnership” to “integration”? Towards a “mini-scrutiny”?
- How resilient is our narrative describing progress in the face of difficult, high-profile cases?
- How much capacity in the system will be needed to be more proactive and on the front foot?
- How tricky is the gap between strategic intent and operational delivery?