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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UPDATE – POSITION PAPER

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To introduce the Executive Summary of the PCC’s final consultation draft report: “Improving the response to domestic violence and abuse in Nottinghamshire, a whole systems approach” (otherwise known as “the DVA Position Paper”).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To consider the Executive Summary and feedback on recommendations.

3. Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 The PCC requested a review of domestic abuse in 2019. Also in 2019, the Police and Crime Panel requested a short paper setting out the current domestic abuse position in Nottinghamshire, with particular reference to the PCC’s areas of responsibility in policing and crime.
- 3.2 As domestic abuse is a cross cutting theme with relevance to criminal justice, safeguarding, social care, education and other areas, the DVA Position Paper takes a whole system approach. The Executive Summary sets out key findings from the paper and the recommendations.
- 3.3 The publication of the paper was delayed by Covid-19 but is now published in full, updated to include a section on the response to Covid-19.
- 3.4 A range of recommendations for further action has been identified, all of which involve the PCC and many of which include other agencies such as Nottinghamshire Police and the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Violence Reduction Unit as well the City and County Councils.
- 3.5 The main domestic abuse providers for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire and specialist policy officers for Nottingham City Council and Nottinghamshire County Council have been invited to attend the panel meeting and respond to questions from panel members.

4. Summary of Key Points (this should include background information and options appraisal if applicable)

4.1 Key points are set out in the Executive Summary.

5. Financial Implications and Budget Provision

5.1 There are financial implications for implementation of the recommendations. The PCC will work with other public sector partners to implement the recommendations, reviewing current budget provision and seeking external funding opportunities when possible.

6. Human Resources Implications

6.1 None.

7. Equality Implications

7.1 The DVA Position Paper identifies potential equalities gaps and recommends action to develop greater understanding of the gaps and activity to address them.

8. Risk Management

8.1 Managing domestic abuse risk is one of the report's significant themes.

9. Policy Implications and links to the Police and Crime Plan Priorities

9.1 The Police and Crime Plan has a strategic them to help and support victims. In addition, the plan commits the PCC to continuing to invest in outcomes focussed domestic abuse services for victims and survivors.

10. Changes in Legislation or other Legal Considerations

10.1 The Domestic Abuse Bill 2020 is currently progressing through Parliament. The paper considers the implications of the Bill for Nottinghamshire.

11. Details of outcome of consultation

11.1 None.

12. Appendices

12.1 The Executive Summary is included below.



13. Background Papers (relevant for Police and Crime Panel Only)

- 13.1 The full DVA Position Paper “Improving the response to domestic violence and abuse in Nottinghamshire: a whole systems approach” is available as a background paper.