

**Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting**

Improving Lives Select Commission – 19 July 2021

**Report Title**

Domestic Abuse Presentation – Identifying Hidden Victims

**Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?**

No

**Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report**

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**Ward(s) Affected**

Borough-Wide

**Report Summary**

A presentation, as requested by the Committee, exploring efforts to identify hidden victims of domestic abuse.

**Recommendations**

1. That the Committee note the report.

**List of Appendices Included**

Appendix 1 Presentation

Appendix 2 Minutes of the Improving Lives Select Commission 26 January 2021

**Background Papers**

None

**Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel**

None

**Council Approval Required** No

**Exempt from the Press and Public** No

## **Domestic Abuse Presentation – Identifying Hidden Victims**

### **1. Background**

- 1.1 At the meeting of the Improving lives Select Commission held on 26 January 2021 it had been resolved to receive further information on work surrounding how hidden victims of Domestic Abuse were identified (Minute No.133 2020/21)

### **2. Key Issues**

- 2.1 The attached presentation provides information on the following topics:

- The National Picture
- The Local Data – Increasing Conversion
- What's the Offer Locally
- Promoting and Raising Awareness of Services
- Lessons Learnt Processes
- Market Engagement Feedback and Early Vision

### **3. Options considered and recommended proposal**

- 3.1 This presentation has been developed following a request from the Committee and therefore no alternative options have been considered.

### **4. Consultation on proposal**

- 4.1 This report does not represent a proposal however activities in relation to Domestic Abuse is coordinated by a strong partnership board which reports in to the Safer Rotherham Partnership.

### **5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision**

- 5.1 Report is for noting only.

### **6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications (to be written by the relevant Head of Finance and the Head of Procurement on behalf of s151 Officer)**

- 6.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### **7. Legal Advice and Implications (to be written by Legal Officer on behalf of Assistant Director Legal Services)**

- 7.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

### **8. Human Resources Advice and Implications**

- 8.1 There are no HR implications arising from this report.

### **9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults**

9.1 Implications are noted within the presentation.

## **10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications**

10.1 Considered within the presentation.

## **11. Implications for CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions and Climate Change**

11.1 No implications arising from this report.

## **12. Implications for Partners**

12.1 Considered within the presentation.

## **13. Risks and Mitigation**

13.1 Presentation is for noting only.

## **14. Accountable Officer(s)**

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