**Accountability Report: Thematic Reports: PREVENT**

**A3: Preventing Violence Against Women and Girls**

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| **Progress Against Police Strategy** |
| The purpose of this report is to update the Police and Crime Commissioner in relation to the current progress of work in relation to Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG).  The Chief Officer Team lead for Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) is ACC Griffin. In January 2022, Supt Woolley was appointed the Tactical lead for VAWG.  Since January 2022, Nottinghamshire Police has worked closely with National and Regional VAWG Leads to develop it understanding of VAWG and create stronger relations.  Nottinghamshire Police has developed a VAWG Strategy, this is based upon the NPCC Lead DCC Maggie Blyth guidance of the three pillars, these being:  Pillar One – Build Trust and Confidence  Pillar Two – Pursuit of Perpetrators  Pillar Three – Create Safer Spaces  **VAWG Governance and Delivery**  Nottinghamshire Police has a defined VAWG Governance structure to deliver the VAWG Strategy.  Quarterly, a VAWG Strategic Governance Group Meeting chaired by ACC Griffin convenes, present at this meting the VAWG Tactical Lead, Corporate Services, Communications and Chief Executive Officer from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC).  The purpose of this meeting is to ensure local delivery of the VAWG Agenda, whilst including National requirements, Review of VAWG Tactical Delivery Plan, performance and next steps.  The VAWG Tactical meeting meets quarterly and is chaired by the VAWG lead. This meeting brings together key stakeholders to develop the Local VAWG Tactical Action Plan and progress action updates.  Attendees at this meeting are VAWG Leads for:   * Professional Standards (PSD) * Public Protection * Integrated Offender Management * Local Policing * Intelligence * Management Information * Vulnerability Hub * People Services / Citizens In Policing   Also, in attendance to the VAWG Tactical Plan Meeting is representatives from the Violence Reduction Unit (VRU) to provide a wider partnership context.  Nottinghamshire Police participates in regional VAWG Meetings chaired by A/DCC Debenham and utilise the regional mechanism to feedback the National NPCC lead meeting.  The current VAWG Nottinghamshire Police Tactical Plan has over 50 Actions identified, of which, only 6 are not under full progression.  The Nottinghamshire Police Tactical Action Plan has been submitted to the National VAWG Taskforce and currently awaiting feedback to develop this further.  As part of the National VAWG Agenda, Nottinghamshire Police has met all recording and performance standards set by the NPCC and completed data returns within prescribed timescales. Currently Nottinghamshire Police are developing a VAWG Problem Profile, which should be completed by September 2022.  VAWG Performance is monitored at Force level as part of the Operational Performance Review (OPR) meeting, and this continues to be developed as understanding NPCC guidance is provided.  In June 2022, a dedicated Chief Inspector was appointed to VAWG in furtherance of achieving the delivery of the VAWG Agenda.  Nottinghamshire Police are also active participants of the Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) VAWG Strategy Group in supporting and developing a wider partnership VAWG Strategy and Response for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.  Since the start of 2022, Nottinghamshire Police has progressed VAWG and are building upon this to develop stronger relations with statutory and non-statutory partners, including the Voluntary Community Sector (VCS) to develop its understanding further.  Nottinghamshire Police are also supporting the VRU and partnership colleagues to develop a wider understanding of VAWG with local academic research and funding opportunities to develop bespoke preventative, educational work along with maximising robust enforcement opportunities, such as increased use of preventative orders and tagging opportunities. |