



Serious Violence Duty - Local Response Plan

South Notts Community Safety Partnership

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Serious Violence Response Planning

Context

The Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts (PCSC) Act 2022 provides new duties in respect to Serious Violence. The specific new Serious Violence Duty (SVD) requires specified authorities¹ to work together to prevent and reduce serious violence, including identifying the kinds of serious violence that occur in the area, the causes of that violence, and to prepare and implement a strategy for preventing and reducing serious violence in the area. The Statutory Instrument² confirmed that the Duty would commence on 31 January 2023.

The specified authorities are required to develop:

- a. An understanding of local issues: the partnership should work together to establish the local 'strategic needs assessment' of serious violence
- b. Preparation and implementation of a strategy: The strategy should set out how the proposed actions will enhance and complement existing local arrangements responding to serious violence. This may include consideration of joint funding or investment to support local early interventions and responses. Partnerships will also need to consult with any and all educational institutions, prisons and secure settings situated in the local area as part of this process.
- c. Review -The partnership should review the strategy on an annual basis. A review should specifically consider how the interventions and solutions have impacted on serious violence within their area

A Serious Violence Duty delivery plan detailing how the Duty funding will be implemented is also required to be submitted to the Home Office by January 2024.

Response plan

It has been agreed by specified authorities that an overarching county-wide Response Strategy will be developed and published to meet the requirements of the SVD by January 2024.

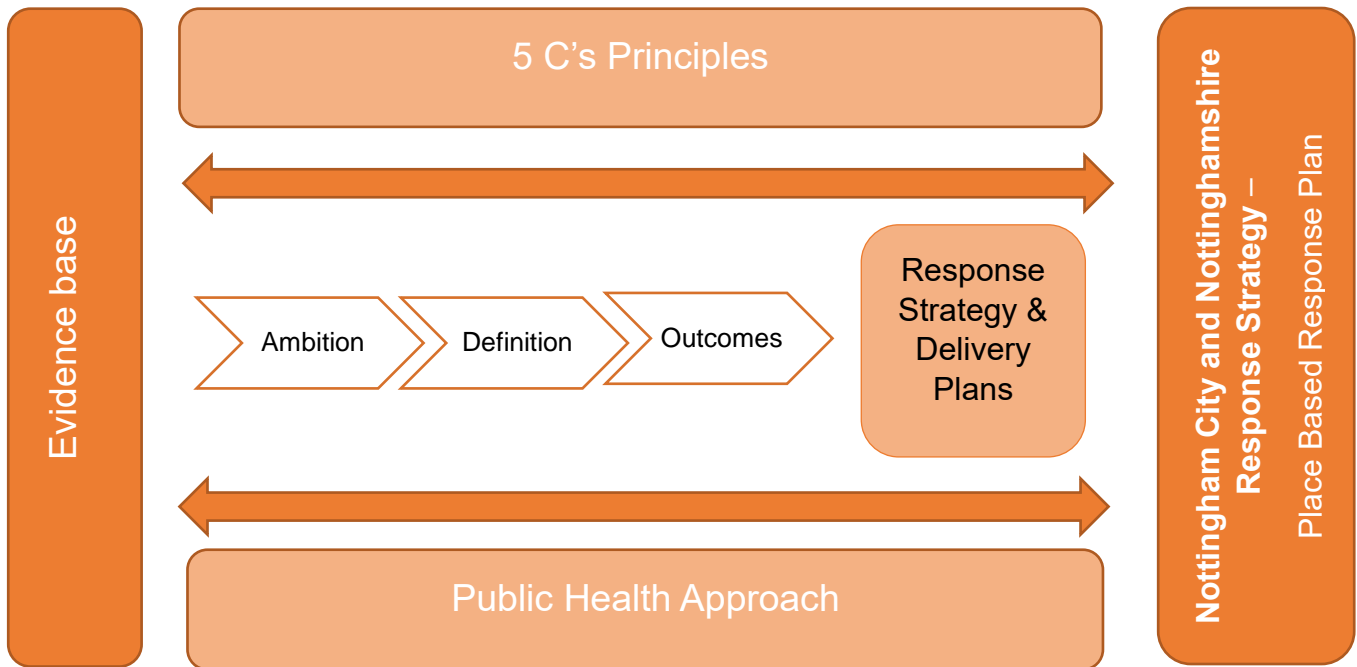
The Strategy will be supported however by a set of clear response plans for implementation of the Strategy and respond to the local evidence based needs. This will require an agreed set of actions with mechanisms and resources in place to enable delivery of all the priorities identified.

The place based Serious Violence/Community Safety Partnerships will take responsibility for the development and implementation of these response plans.

¹ Police, Local Authorities, Youth Offending Teams, Probation, Fire and Rescue and Integrated Care Boards

² <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2022/1304/part/3/made>

Considerations for developing the response plan



The purpose of the Place Based/District response plans is to set out the priorities and actions for each district in supporting the implementation of the Response Strategy. They have been developed within the context of the evidence base (Strategic Needs Assessments) and support the agreed ambition/vision; definitions and overall outcomes of reduction of serious violence and improving population health.

The following provides a flow chart of considerations during the development of the Response Plan.

Preparation considerations

Who to involve in the response planning and how this will be achieved

Access to and familiarisation of the evidence base and overarching response strategic priorities

Understanding what is already being implemented

Partner familiarisation of their responsibilities and roles

What do we know?
Understanding the SNA findings and Response Strategy priorities



What are our strategic priorities?
What are the key themes we want to address to respond to the evidence and Response Strategy



What could we deliver to respond to each strategic priority?
Develop a long list of potential actions which consider the root causes, risks, protective factors, impact, place and communities involved



Option appraisal
Review which of these responses are realistic and evidence based. Ensure a balance of responses ranging from early intervention to enforcement and use of powers



Prioritisation and planning of response/actions
How, who and when will each action be delivered



Measuring
Who and how will the responses be monitored

Reducing Serious Violence Response Plan

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Background

On 9th April 2018, the government published its Serious Violence Strategy setting out an ambitious programme of work to respond to increases in knife crime, gun crime and homicide. This Response Plan aligns to the priorities and ambitions set out in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire's Violence Reduction Partnership's (NNVRP) Serious Violence Response Strategy, of which the South Nottinghamshire Community Partnership is an active partner.

The NNVRP brings together specialists from the PCC, public health, clinical commissioning, police, local authorities, community safety partnerships, criminal justice partnerships, education, and voluntary and community sector organisations with a shared goal to reduce serious violent crime and the underlying causes countywide. It provides strategic leadership and coordination of the countywide response to preventing and reducing serious violence.

The Serious Violence Response Strategy is underpinned by a multi-agency public health approach to understanding the drivers and impacts of serious violence, with a focus on early intervention and prevention, tackling the root causes of violence and preventing young people from becoming involved in crime in the first place.

The Serious Violence Duty commenced on 31 January 2023 as part of the Police Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act 2022. The duty was introduced in the context of an increase in violence over the last decade and a recognition of the impact it has on victims and their families. The Serious Violence Duty requires organisations to work together to share information, analyse the situation locally and come up with solutions, including the publication of local Response Plan, aligned to the Response Strategy, to prevent and reduce serious violence on a local basis.

The Plan outlines a commitment to investing in prevention and early intervention activities that deals with the causes, rather than the consequences, of crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB). The Plan will be subject to annual review to ensure it continues to be responsive to national policy, the local evidence base and emerging insight. Progress will be reported to the Safer Nottinghamshire Board on a quarterly basis.

Our Vision:

Our vision is for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire communities to feel safe from violence and the fear of violence.

Our Mission:

We will work with communities to prevent violence and reduce its harmful impacts through developing a detailed understanding of its causes and investment in evidence-based interventions that make a lasting difference.

Our Focus:

Our definition of Serious Violence recognises the complexity of violence, with a focus on all incidents (including domestic violence) that cause serious harm. It also focuses on other offending that drives violence, so currently includes organised criminality and child exploitation

Need

- Reduction in Serious Violence through a Strategic Partnership Plan for South Notts using an analysis of Data.
- Reduction in serious violence related to alcohol consumption and the night time economy
- Reduction in serious violence linked to alcohol consumption in dwelling and domestic settings
- Reduction in domestic violence including strangulation/suffocation
- Reduction in dogs causing injury
- Reduction in weapon enabled crime
- Reduce vulnerabilities and increase support for vulnerable young people

Source: SNA and local profiles

Priorities

- Data and Insight to improve decision making and sustainability.
- Domestic and Sexual Abuse/Assault (Financial Control, Reporting and Stalking).
- Vulnerability in YP (County Lines, Gangs, Supporting YP to make better decisions).
- Education and Behaviour Change (Education support).

Gaps – What don't we know/improve insight

- Mental Health – Children Excluded from school and school off-rolling.
- Homelessness as a marker – YP people and sofa surfing, transition.
- Breakdown of sexual assault/rape – domestic and public space, historic – how does this affect the numbers?
- Consideration of Under 25's in the Local Area Profiles.

Measures of success			
<i>Insert the key performance measures:</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A reduction in hospital admissions for assaults with a knife or sharp object</i> • <i>A reduction in knife enabled serious violence</i> • <i>A reduction in all non-domestic homicides</i> 			
Indicator	Baseline (Oct 23)	Update	Percentage change RAG the change
BROXTOWE <i>A reduction in hospital admissions for assaults with a knife or sharp object</i>	TBC		
GEDLING <i>A reduction in hospital admissions for assaults with a knife or sharp object</i>	TBC		
RUSHCLIFFE <i>A reduction in hospital admissions for assaults with a knife or sharp object</i>	TBC		
BROXTOWE <i>A reduction in knife enabled serious violence</i>	17		
GEDLING <i>A reduction in knife enabled serious violence</i>	25		
RUSHCLIFFE <i>A reduction in knife enabled serious violence</i>	15		
BROXTOWE <i>A reduction in all non-domestic homicides</i>	0		
GEDLING <i>A reduction in all non-domestic homicides</i>	0		
RUSHCLIFFE <i>A reduction in all non-domestic homicides</i>	0		

Action		Lead	Timescale	Progress update	RAG
Priority 1 Understanding data and insight to inform decision making and sustainability					
1.0	In depth data analysis to target resources	VRP	2024/25	Requires updates from VRP 251024 – Local SV Profiles have now been shared to inform planning for 2025/26.	
1.1	Engage with communities to capture their views on violence	PCC NCC	2024/25	Requires updates from PCC/NCC 251024 – NCC have been leading engagement with communities and young people, outcomes to be provided to support planning in Nov.	
1.2	Effective data collection and partnership working. Data storage and sharing system between agencies Police, Social Care, Youth Services and LAs for early intervention not just incident resolution.	Police Social Care NCC YOT NCC Youth Services LAs	2024/25	Requires updates from VRP Data Group. Youth Justice board reviews performance data.	

				251024 – Supplier has been identified to deliver a Serious Violence Data dashboard with expectation that the structure will be in place by 310325, however timescales for each partner to upload individual data streams are tbc, crime data will be in the first phase.	
1.3	Hotspot areas – Identification and focus for partnership.	VRP	2024/25	Hotspot areas identified in area profiles COMPLETED	
Priority 2 Domestic abuse and sexual violence					
2.0	Delivery of the countywide Domestic Abuse action plan	Nottinghamshire Domestic Abuse Board	2024/25	Requires updates from DAB	
2.1	Deliver a perpetrator programme	PCC	2024/25	2 perpetrator programmes in place COMPLETED	
2.2	Deliver White Ribbon Action Plan and maintain accreditation	BBC BWP Equation	Reaccreditation application 2024 3 year action 2024/27	Action plan prepared for submission in 2024 Re - Accreditation gained 03/2024	

				COMPLETED	
2.3	Gain DAHA accreditation	BBC GBC	Expected accreditation 2024/26	BBC accreditation due 2025-27 GBC Accreditation due 24-26 DAHA worker in place supporting delivery	
2.4	Expand Safe Spaces within suitable shop watch stores	RBC GBC Equation	2024/25	RBC Will require head office approval from each venue potentially 2 places in West Bridgford GBC Are looking to create safe spaces in Civic Centre, Arnold and also looking at Safe Gyms RBC All stores in the WB shop watch scheme briefed and sent details of the safe spaces scheme we are to adopt – overwhelming support. Awaiting store agreement.	

				<p>Hoping to commence roll out late Apr/early May 24</p> <p>COMPLETED by RBC but may extend in 2025 (23 shops signed up as of sept 24)</p> <p>BBC Safe spaces at BBC Beeston, CAB Eastwood, Boots sites and many licenced premises have ASK ANGELA</p>	
<p>Priority 3 Education and behaviour change</p>					
3.0	<p>Working with excluded young people outside of mainstream schooling and their families to reduce weapon carrying including the promotion where appropriate of referrals of excluded young people to YJS MyFuture youth support programme.</p>	<p>NCC Education YJS</p>	<p>2024/25</p>	<p>YJS meet with ETE improvement advisor to identify My futures for excluded children. Pilot due to start - diverse trust academies targeting support for young people facing exclusion with My Futures will be considered alongside. working with CSC</p>	

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3.1	Expand Police Schools Liaison Officers role in schools to include prevention work and work in partnership to address behaviour of repeat and potential repeat offenders. Included in the annual YJS Strategic plan is a long-term aspiration for the YJS to work more closely with SEIOs to promote early intervention and successful diversion	Police Schools YJS	2024/25	YJS have held meeting with relevant police inspector regards this action to move forwards.	
3.2	Work in schools around healthy relationships	Equation	2024/25	Requires updates from Equation Being delivered across the districts COMPLETED Query – has this been delivered in all schools in the area? If not suggest remains open and c/f to next year.	
3.3	Prevention work in Youth Centres – supported by discussions at the NCC Youth Support Group which discussed incoming PPNs	Youth Service	2024/25	YJS screen all cases for relevant Futures support or onward ETE service COMPLETED	
3.4	Local authority to develop and implement an Improving School Attendance Strategy, with targeted support to schools in BGR with the highest rates of unauthorised absence.	NCC Family Service NCC Education	2024/25	A Countywide strategy is being developed. Likely to be available in Autumn 2024 Attendance Policy going to Cabinet for approval in September 24	

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3.5	Effective staff training	All	2024/25	YJS have an annual training plan which covers areas which contribute to young people and violent offending.	
3.6	Deliver OPERATION SCEPTRE weapon amnesties	Police	2024/25	Requires updates from Police Knife amnesty Aug/sept 2024	
3.7	Support for Schools to promote behaviour change. Prevention and reporting comms to parents and carers through schools. Prevention and reporting comms to students (secondary and primary) through PHSE and assemblies.	Schools BBC Police	2024/25	BBC visits into primary and secondary schools ASB/Crime talks within primary school 08/02/2024 09/03/2024 22/05/2024 Educational and crime prevention resources given out Mental health information provided COMPLETED	
3.8	Early intervention work with parents and families ensuring prevention work is implemented before issues escalate	NCC Family Services	2024/25	The Graduated Parenting Offer remains available to families across the County and Conurbation. How	

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				this is delivered may alter with the rollout of Family Hubs. COMPLETED	
3.9	Continue to deliver the Positive Future Peer Mentoring programme for you people at risk of offending.	Positive Futures	2024/25	Being delivered COMPLETED	
3.10	Promote appropriate referral and support of children and families 3.5to The Family Service for targeted early help support. The Family Service will continue to deliver relevant parenting intervention programmes such as NVR, and Managing risk taking teenage behaviour workshops.	All NCC Family Services	2024/25	Workshops and Parenting programmes are delivered on an ongoing basis. COMPLETED	
3.11	Positive Future Community engagement projects in geographical areas of concern	Positive Futures	2024/25	Requires updates from YJS	
3.12	Promote appropriate referral and support of children to the YJS MyFuture youth support programme	YJS	2024/25	YJS My Futures offer presented at the education partnership meeting, district safeguarding meetings, harm outside the home events, and outreach worker. COMPLETED	
3.13	Identify young people at risk of being NEET post 16 and refer to Futures NEET support programme, commissioned by NCC children's services.	All	2024/25	YJS review children's education stats within supervision and refer to appropriate services.	

				Children open to YS have direct access to seconded Futures Service.	
3.14	Examples of good practice in Keyworth in some schools – ripple the learning, peer to peer learning through schools.	NCC Education	2024/25	Requires updates from NCC	
3.15	Schools – alter approach to behaviour policies and exclusion. Requires willingness from school and partners. YP need to feel connected.	NCC Education	2024/25	Requires updates from NCC	
3.16	Deliver interventions and support at transition age (Year 5/6), there is a disconnect between Primary and Secondary school.	NCC Education	2024/25	Requires updates from NCC	
Priority 4 Vulnerability in young people					
4.1	Promotion of support services available to young people, parents and carers	All	2024/	BBC promoted to parents through the LSP Children and Young Peoples Group and through social media bulletins. To young people through school visits and talks. YJS undertake targeted promotion of our my future service to relevant departments throughout the year. COMPLETED	

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4.2	Expansion or creation of support groups such as switch up	NHS	2024/25	Requires updates from NHS	
4.3	Delivery of training to teachers by the Tackling Emerging Threats to Children Team (TETC) and to all other statutory and relevant partners of the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NSCP) through the NSCP training programme	NCC	2024/25	Requires updates from NCC Programme of training in place COMPLETED	
4.4	Neighbourhood Safeguarding and Disruption meetings (NSDs) in districts to manage young people at very high risk of CCE and violence	Police YJS CSC BBC GBC RBC	2024/25	BBC NSD meetings monthly BBC in place since 2020 RBC NSD Meetings in place and operational since Sep 23 GBC NSD Meetings in place and operational COMPLETED	
4.5	CCEP meetings at county level to manage young people at very high risk of CCE and violence escalated from the NSDs	NCC BBC GBC RBC Police	2024/25	All Districts CCEP meetings monthly Districts attend as needed/requested COMPLETED	
4.6	Deliver 4 x Night Angel (NA) Operations or Student Night Time Economy (SNTE) Operations annually. Drug and weapon detection in the night time economy through drug swabs and hand held metal detectors	BBC Police	2024/25	4 to be delivered annually January 15 th SNTE January 16 th SNTE	
4.7	Deliver OPERATION POTASSIUM + in Beeston. Transform Trainings TLC programme to 16 young people identified as at very high risk of CCE and violence in Beeston	BBC	March 2024	Funding ends March 2024 COMPLETED	

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				Funding application to PCC made for Kimberley 2024/25 awaiting outcome Funding application successful COMPLETED	
4.8	Deliver Operation Silverbirch in Arnold Town Centre, targeting youth related ASB and violence including the possession of weapons offences	Police GBC	2024/25	GBC Arnold Town Centre is looking at being part of the ASB TASKFORCE PILOT Operation Silverbirch in place Ongoing works to tackle ASB/climbing on roofs from Youth in Arnold town Centre Sept 2024 COMPLETED	
4.9	Deliver Night Time Economy patrols in the Front Street area of Arnold, working with Police and GBC Licensing to increase licence compliance	Police GBC	2024/25	GBC Arnold Town Centre is looking at being part of the ASB TASKFORCE PILOT	

				UK SPF is also being looked at for Safer Street Wardens	
4.10	Introduce 2 x help points in Beeston Town Centre giving direct emergency access to the Police control room	BBC	September 2024	Consultation and governance completed installation and commissioning Oct/Nov 2024	
4.11	Distribute Personal Safety Alarms to those vulnerable to attack through events and reported incidents. Target young adults through the University of Nottingham student support team	BBC	October 2023 – October 2025	University engaged, alarms delivered and distribution underway Cameras delivered. COMPLETED	
4.12	Distribute Personal Safety Alarms by Safer Street Wardens in the Netherfield area	GBC	2024/25	GBC Safer Street Wardens and PCSO gave out Personal Safety Alarms in Netherfield and Victoria Retail Park during build up to Christmas. Works completed 2023. New contract with WISE being organised for Safer Street Wardens to be	

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				present at the Victoria retail Park from Sept24/Jan 25	
4.13	Upgrade Beeston Town Centre, Montrose Court and Inham Nook Park CCTV systems	BBC	September 2024	Consultation and governance completed installation of systems completed and commissioned 03/2024 COMPLETED	
4.14	Implement the upgrade to Bingham Town Centre CCTV system	RBC Police Bingham Parish Council	September 2024	RBC up to 7 cameras in Bingham via SS5 go live July. Consultation complete, approvals received, cameras ordered. Expect to be installed shortly operational by July Installed and operational Aug 24 COMPLETED	
4.15	Upgrade lighting Arnot Hill Park	GBC	September 2024	GBC Work started on upgrades with Safer Street 5 funding. Works Completed	

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4.16	Aim to undertake an annual knife awareness event with targeted young individuals subject to funding.	RBC Positive Futures	2024/25	Stopped this year due to funding. Aim to restart in 2024 At local venue to Coincide with Op Sceptre. Est up to 70 individual students RBC aim to restart in 2024 at local venue to coincide with Op Sceptre, Nov. Est up to 70 individual students. RBC and PF to meet after Easter break to commence planning Subject to funding from PCC still. date TBC expect November. CONFIRMED EVENT DATE OF 20 TH November 2024 circa 50 pupils 4 schools.	
4.17	Continue to develop the Positive Futures and strengthen the serious violence message to the young.	RBC Positive Futures	2024/25	Provide info on events and training and workshops to PF as and when	

4.18	<p>Deliver student safety initiatives Issue crime prevention and community safety resources</p>	<p>BBC RBC Police NU NTU</p>	2024/25	<p>GBC Early Oct fresher's week. Subject to PCC funding. Tbc for Oct 24</p> <p>RBC Early Oct fresher's week. Subject to PCC funding. Tbc for Oct 24 event scheduled for 9 and 10 Oct 2024</p> <p>BBC at all events attended by communities Team plus specific events 15/01/24 & 16/01/24 Beeston and Fresher's Week COMPLETED</p>	
4.19	<p>The GREAT project delivery in primary schools</p>	Equation	2024/25	<p>Requires updates from Equation. Being delivered across the districts COMPLETED</p> <p>This is a duplication of healthy relationships –</p>	

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				comes under same umbrella, see note above	
4.20	RBC working with Police X2 annual partnership NTE sessions, inc police engagement with young people at YPCs, taxi licence and Vehicle checks, drug wiping, Ask for Angela checks (ensure all members of pub watches have Ask for Angela policy in place, or similar)	RBC	2024/25	Annual events summer and Christmas with RBC NTE patrols. NTE session planned mid July. Rolled out Ask Angela in W Bridgford. Testing the initiative in late June with bar visits.	
4.21	Non term time activities/initiatives at ASB hot spot locations	RBC Positive Futures Police Youth Leaders	2024/25	Referrals from the Police - evidence based YP ASB. Activities during school summer hols. Currently working to set up youth club in East Leake following complaints of ASB in 23. Piloting sessions March 24. COMPLETED Partners met w/c 25/3 to discuss ongoing feasibility for addition activity evenings.	

	<p>Individually during any mentoring work we will do work on emotional regulation, anger, violent behaviours and decision making.</p> <p>In the Summer we will be working towards creating a new young person user Group / Leaders who will have on their agender citizenship, issues around crime , masculinity, toxic stress etc.</p> <p>I am also potentially collaborating with another school and getting their year 12 Criminology Students to do some Social Research on what young people view as pathways into violence behaviours and what could be put in place at key times to avoid any escalation. I am hoping to have this group together prior to the summer.</p>	<p>RBC/Positive Futures</p> <p>RBC/Positive futures</p> <p>RBC/Positive futures</p>		<p>Subject to costs approval by PCC</p> <p>In Place COMPLETED</p> <p>Expected summer 2024 update required from PS not provided in time for submission return</p> <p>Expected summer 2024 update required from PS not provided in time for submission return</p>	
4.22	Embed consistent screening and intervention following receipt of Public Protection Notices	YJS CSC	2024/25	YJS are part of conversations regards PPN reviews and collaboration of partnership working with CSC	
	Prioritise service for young victims of serious crime through Victim Care (consider YEF evidence which highlights experience of children as victims, especially among those who offend)	Victim Care	2024/25	Requires updates from Victim Care	
	YJS work with partners to effectively target outreach offer. Detached Youth Worker on streets – long term funded.	YJS	2024/25	YJS My Futures offer presented at the education	

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				partnership meeting, district safeguarding meetings, harm outside the home events, and to outreach worker. COMPLETED	
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