

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting17th July 2014

1. Title of Item/Report

Domestic Abuse Strategy

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on the Domestic Abuse Strategy 2014-2017.

Stockton's Domestic Abuse Strategy expired in March 2014. It was agreed in the Domestic Abuse Strategy Group that a new three-year Strategy should be produced.

From June to December 2013 significant consultation took place to develop the Strategy content. Consultation commenced with a stakeholder event in June with over 100 attendees, this was followed by consultation with those who experienced domestic abuse, those who perpetrated domestic abuse and children affected by domestic abuse. Consultation also took place with social care staff and sexual health staff. Domestic abuse was the topic of a Viewpoint questionnaire and formed part of the community safety consultation to inform the community safety plan.

Following this consultation a draft strategy was developed that included the themes identified during consultation and based on National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) Guidance published in February 2014 and other national guidance on violence prevention.

The Strategy was then taken to a number of groups for consultation and consideration including:-

Local Safeguarding Children Board
Adult Safeguarding Board
Safer Stockton Partnership
The Health & Wellbeing Board and Partnership
The Domestic Abuse Strategy Group
Members Seminar Session

Following amendment from this consultation the draft Strategy was

presented at a 'preview' event in the Arc to enable those interested in the content of the Strategy to also comment. The final version of the Strategy was presented to the Health & Wellbeing Board for approval in June 2014.

RESOLVED that the report and the Domestic Abuse Strategy be noted.

3. Reasons for the Decision

Significant consultation has taken place to develop the Strategy, in addition to consultation that has taken place on the content of the Strategy in its draft form, including an elected members' session.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

None

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Friday, 25th July 2014

Proper Officer
21 July 2014