

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting18th May 2017

1. Title of Item/Report

Domestic Abuse Strategy 2017-2022

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on the Domestic Abuse Strategy 2017 – 2022.

The multi-agency Domestic Abuse Steering Group had produced a revised Domestic Abuse Strategy (2017-22) for the borough. The new strategy built on the work of preceding years and strengthens the focus on working together as local partners, agencies and communities to prevent individuals from becoming victims and perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse.

The strategic approach would support professionals to identify and deal with the earliest signs of abuse, stop abuse before it happens, prevent abusive behaviour from becoming entrenched and prevent perpetrators from moving from one victim to the next. Critically, it would provide victims and their families with support before a crisis point had been reached.

The draft Domestic Abuse Strategy 2017-22 and a copy of the Domestic Abuse Strategy Action Plan 2017-18 was attached to the report.

RECOMMENDED to Council that the Domestic Abuse Strategy (2017-22) be endorsed.

3. Reasons for the Decision

To achieve real, sustainable progress to tackle domestic abuse by working together as local partners, agencies, and communities to prevent individuals from becoming victims and perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse.

The strategy is a call to action all over the next five years to work together

to achieve a shared vision for the Borough.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Steve Nelson declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 7 - Domestic Abuse Strategy 2017 – 2022 as he was a Director of Catalyst.

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

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

N/A

Proper Officer
22 May 2017