

Violence and Vulnerability Framework

Approved by Safer Essex on 20th June 2018



How did we get here?



- The Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner (OPFCC) was tasked by Safer Essex to lead a Task & Finish Group and develop a Framework
- Thematic groups were developed to explore key work-streams
- A workshop was held on 1st May
- The Framework was drafted and shared for consultation
- Feedback was broadly supportive – minor amendments/additions made

Context

- The Framework is to guide future working...
... not to dictate to individual organisations
- The Framework agrees how, collectively, we think organisations should be approaching this work, so we can make the best use of expertise and resources



Scope of the Framework

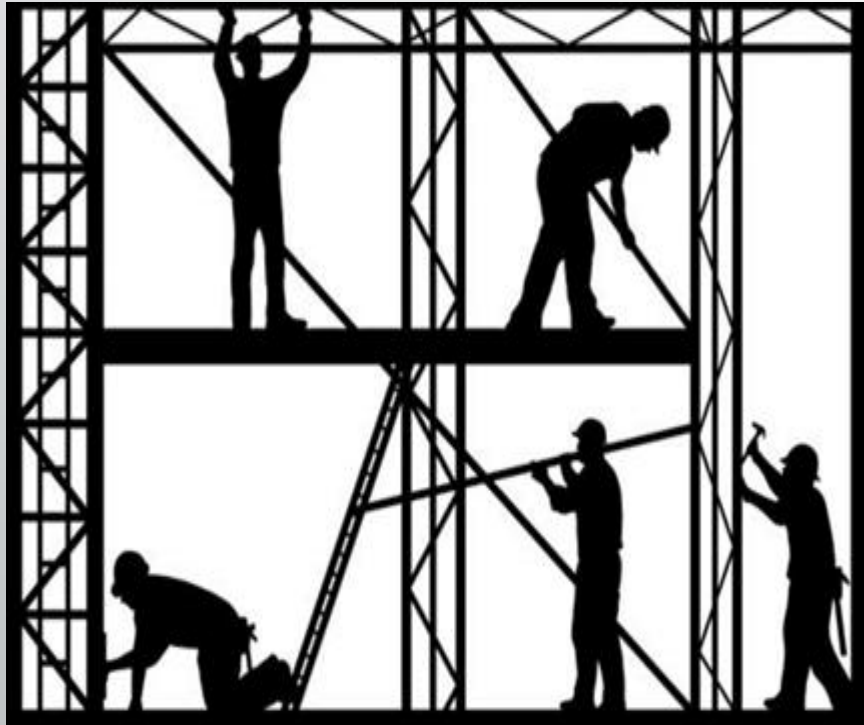
Introduction defines the scope, background and aims

“This Framework seeks to cover all types of serious violence and vulnerability including, but not exclusively, gangs and county lines activity.”

Includes:

- Drugs
- Serious violence
- CSE
- Missing persons
- Modern slavery
- Human trafficking

Intention of the Framework



- To improve research and understanding
- To raise awareness
- To co-ordinate the existing activities of partners across Essex, Southend and Thurrock

Goals of the Framework

- to **improve visibility and awareness of partnership activity** around violence and vulnerability
- to **increase** the occurrence and effectiveness of **prevention and intervention** activities
- to **identify opportunities to add value** to existing and planned activities
- to **identify gaps** in current and planned activities
- to highlight areas where **cross-border and partnership working** would be beneficial

4 sections/themes

Data and Understanding	Awareness and Education
Prevention and Interventions	Leadership, Partnerships and Co-ordination

The Framework includes case studies and 43 commitments – 43 things that 'we must' do

There is also a diagrammatic representation of the complexity of contact points

Key Commitments within the Sections/Themes

Data and Understanding

- Knowing what exists
- Analysing and understanding what it says
- Sharing what we know
- GDPR and data sharing agreements
- Sharing recommendations

Awareness and Education

- Helping people to recognise signs
- Making awareness age appropriate
- Widen scope of existing programmes
- Engaging with voluntary sector
- Developing a multi-agency approach

Prevention and Interventions

- Knowledge and understanding of current activity
- Decisions based on needs and outcomes
- Consultation with stakeholders
- Sustainable interventions
- Complimentary commissioning

Leadership, Partnerships and Co-ordination

- Senior leader awareness and support
- Cross-border working and collaboration
- Leadership and commitment
- Responsibility and accountability
- Influence

What does success look like?

- Better understanding of risk factors
- Wider awareness of identifying signs and how to react
- Organisations delivering a range of awareness, prevention and intervention initiatives with a variety of partners
- Commissioners aligning priorities and complimenting other commissioned work
- Senior leaders advocating partnership approaches

