Birmingham City Council

7-Minute Learning

The National VAWG Strategy Explained

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

1 What is it?

A government strategy to prevent Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG), protect victims and bring perpetrators to justice.

2 Why is it needed?

- VAWG remains widespread and serious.
- It has a lasting impact on individuals, families and communities.
- A joined-up, long-term approach is needed to drive change.

7 Key messages

- A whole-society response is essential.
- Prevention and early action save lives.
- Victims and survivors must be at the centre.



3 The strategy's priorities

- Prevent VAWG.
- Support victims and survivors.
- Pursue and manage perpetrators.
- Strengthen the system and partnership response.

6 What this means for professionals

- Understand the strategy and your role.
- Identify and respond to risk early.
- Work in partnership.
- Use a trauma-informed approach.

4 Outcomes it aims to achieve

- Fewer people experience VAWG.
- Earlier identification and support.
- More perpetrators held to account.
- Safer, more equal communities.

5 How it's delivered

Through a coordinated, multi-agency and long-term approach, including:

Policing | Health | Education | Local Authorities | Voluntary & Community Sector

Working together to safeguard people and end violence against women and girls in Birmingham.