**GMCA Women and Girls’ Equality Panel, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls Working Group**

**Priorities 2023- 2024**

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| **Priority Area** | **Objective** | **Actions** | **Expected Outputs** | **Timeframe** |
| **Policing and Criminal Justice** | **Improving internal discipline processes and accountability for police officers committing VAWG offences** | * Working with the Professional Standards Branch of GMP and Chief Superintendent to set up a committee to independently review handling of specific police misconduct cases. * Exploring funding for this Committee. | Ongoing critical friend | **Q1 Q2 Q3 2023** |
|  | **Building the capacity of victims of VAWG to challenge inappropriate police behaviour** | * Supporting Chief Superintendent Nicky Porter with the development of whistle blowing guidance for low level and poor behaviour from police officers. * Promoting and disseminating this guidance with relevant agencies | Victims and support agencies understand what behaviour is inappropriate and how to report this | **Q1 Q2 Q3 2023** |
|  | **Building public confidence and trust in tackling VAWG** | * Utilising the expertise of the subgroup members and their experience of with working with victims of VAWG to develop a Code of Conduct - 10 ten things that we expect for victims - to disseminate to junior officers. | Standards created with plan for distribution and evaluation of use | **Q1 Q2 Q3** |
|  |  | * Working with GMP to identify and reward best practice demonstrated by GMP Officer | VAWG Awards and Recognition Event – Promoting change and good practice | **Q3 2023 (September)** |
| **Policing and Criminal Justice** | **Working to tackle misogyny within public services, senior leaders and local authorities** | * Explore our role in monitoring implementation of [HMICFRS’ recommendations for all forces relating to vetting, misconduct and misogyny in the police service](https://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmicfrs/publication-html/an-inspection-of-vetting-misconduct-and-misogyny-in-the-police-service/#recommendations) * Explore feedback from GMP Listening circles with women and ask for recommendations | Pending | **2023** |
|  | **Safer reporting particularly for migrant women and marginalised (Crimes being taken seriously)** | * Receive presentation on DASH assessment to scope the issues (e.g., why isn’t it being used consistently, use for victims of stalking) | Recommendations to GMP on DASH use | **Q3 2023** |
| **VAWG Data** | **Ethical information sharing** | * Contribute to Information Sharing Strategy consultation. | Influence specific principles and behaviours for information management, which reflect the safety needs of survivors and the independence of the specialist services that support them. | **Ongoing** |
|  | **Support early identification of VAWG** | * Understand: how data is currently collated, compiled, shared and used about Violence Against Women and Girls; how that data is shared and used to inform GMCA strategy & policy and what data is missing. | Recommendations for data sets on VAWG | **Ongoing** |
| **Gender Based Violence Strategy** | **Support the delivery of** [**GBV Strategy**](file:///C:/Users/Anabel.butler.KEYFUND/Downloads/Gender%20Based%20Violence%20Strategy%20(greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk)) | * Continue to receive updates from the GBV Board and feeding in views at working group meetings and from our networks via the wider consultation process. Consider availability of resources for disabled victims of violence * Support healthy relationships programme including Educating Men and Boys with Greater Manchester Violence Reduction Unit Director and Assistant Director (Police, Crime, Fire and Criminal Justice) | The GBV strategy is delivered with input from women’s voices, lived experience and sector leaders. | **Ongoing**  **Q2 2023** |
| **Family Courts** | **Improving experience of domestic violence victims in family courts** | * Consider the Domestic Abuse Commissioner’s first policy report into the Family Courts which sets out the Commissioner’s vision for cultural change in Spring 2023; [Women Resource Centre report](https://www.wrc.org.uk/blog/pathologising-women-survivors) |  | **Q3 2023** |
| **Child Sexual Exploitation** | **Children going missing in care** | * Receive a presentation from a youth organisation how their programmes support children and young people |  | **Q4 2023** |