



Commissioning Repository

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Purpose

This document is a repository of guidance and briefings, that have been collated to support policy officers and commissioning leads to easily access information on areas where services are commissioned. The below linked documents include national guidance, government strategies, best practice documents and performance frameworks which provide useful information and context to inform the development of commissioned services and policies within PCC offices. The repository has been categorised into portfolio areas, and further identified by policy areas, with the intention of easy accessibility of materials. The information included is not an exhaustive list but is intended to be an iterative document that will be updated regularly.

The repository contains guidance from the following,

- APCC
- Home Office
- Ministry of Justice
- Department for Education
- Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities
- HMPPS and Probation
- Welsh Government
- College of Policing
- National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC)
- NHS England/Scotland
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE) sector

We welcome feedback and encourage OPCCs to get in touch with any further guidance and reports that should be included in this repository.

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Portfolio: Children and Young People

Policy area	Summary	Link
Children's Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (CISVA)	Home Office guidance on the Child House model of multi-agency support to children and young people who have experienced sexual abuse.	Child House: local partnerships guidance - GOV.UK
Youth Justice Services	Youth Justice Board standards define the minimum expectation for all agencies that provide statutory services, to ensure good outcomes for children in the youth justice system.	Standards for children in the youth justice system 2019 - GOV.UK

Portfolio: Criminal Justice System

Policy area	Summary	Link
Women in the Criminal Justice System	Ministry of Justice delivery plan sets out how the government will deliver 4 key priorities to reduce women's offending over the 2022-25 period.	MoJ: Female Offender Strategy Delivery Plan 2022 to 2025
Probation	Ministry of Justice and HMPPS offending behaviour programmes and interventions guidance for offenders in England and Wales.	General Guidance - Ministry of Justice/HMPPS: Offending behaviour programmes and interventions
Reducing Reoffending	HMPPS and Probation Service guidance on Regional Reducing Reoffending Plans.	General guidance: HMPPS: Regional Reducing Reoffending Plans
Integrated Offender Management (IOM) Programmes	Home Office IOM guidance allows local and partner agencies to co-ordinate the management of offenders, including details of the Choices programme.	General Guidance - HO: Integrated offender management (IOM)
Immediate/Restorative Justice	CPS guidance on Restorative Justice.	General Guidance - CPS: Legal Guidance Restorative Justice
Integrated Offender Management (IOM) Programmes	College of Policing, Authorised Professional Practice (APP) on enforcing sentences and managing offenders.	General Guidance - College of Policing: Enforcing sentences and managing offenders

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Local Criminal Justice Boards	Ministry of Justice guidance for Local Criminal Justice Boards sets out an operating framework for LCJBs to encourage a consistent approach across England and Wales.	General Guidance - Ministry of Justice: National guidance for Local Criminal Justice Boards
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Portfolio: Prevention

Policy area	Summary	Link
Public Health England	APCC guidance on a public health approach to policing which focuses on proactive, preventative activity to address underlying risk factors as opposed to solely reacting to crime once it has occurred	APCC: A Guide to Taking a Public Health Approach for PCCs and their Offices
Mental Health Support Services	APCC guidance produced for APCC members to inform and support local activities in relation to the Right Care, Right Person (RCRP) approach and the National Partnership Agreement (NPA) which covers the mental health elements of that approach.	APCC RCRP Guidance
Health and Justice Services	NHS England health and justice framework sets out the strategy and national priorities that will inform the development of integrated health and justice services across England.	Health and justice framework for integration 2022-25

Portfolio: Serious Violence

Policy area	Summary	Link
Serious Violence Duty	Home Office Serious Violence Duty statutory guidance sets out case studies demonstrating effective partnership working, advice on data sharing, information on monitoring and inspection	HO: SV Duty Statutory Guidance¹

¹ Guidance to be revised – repository will be updated when the revised copy is available.

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	and advice on working with the voluntary and community sector and young people.	
Violence Reduction Units	Home Office guidance on Violence Reduction Units. OPCCs may also find the links to the VRU evaluation reports of interest.	HO: VRU Guidance
Youth Endowment Fund	The Youth Endowment Fund's toolkit of interventions to tackle serious violence including an analysis of the research into how effective they are, their cost effectiveness and how they should best be implemented.	Youth Endowment Fund: Toolkit
In Focus	The APCC's guide to innovative and effective approaches to tackling serious violence highlighting the work of PCCs from both VRU and non VRU areas to prevent and reduce serious violence in their areas, including lessons learnt and tips for other areas to implement.	APCC: Serious Violence In Focus Report

Portfolio: Serious and Organised Crime

Policy area	Summary	Link
Community Safety Funding	Home Office guidance on community safety funding which PCCs can use to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour.	HO: Community Safety Fund (CSF)

Portfolio: Anti-social Behaviour

Policy area	Summary	Link
ASB Action Plan	The government's ASB action plan sets out their approach to tackling ASB including new tools and funding for PCCs.	HM Government: Anti-Social Behaviour Action Plan
Immediate Justice	Guidance for PCCs on implementing and delivering the Home Office funding	Waiting for links to published versions.

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	Immediate Justice service to provide swift and visible justice for victims of ASB.	
Hotspots	Guidance for PCCs on implementing and delivering the Home Office funded hotspot patrols to address both ASB and serious violence.	Waiting for links to published versions.
ASB Statutory Guidance	Home Office guidance on the use of ASB powers including an overview of the role of PCCs in supporting victims via the ASB Case Review process.	HO: ASB Powers Statutory Guidance for Frontline Professionals

Portfolio: Substance Misuse and Addiction

Policy area	Summary	Link
Alcohol and drug related crime	APCC produced Alcohol Related Crime Checklist to support local activity in holding Chief Constables to account, ways of working collaboratively with partners and approaches to commissioning.	APCC: PCC Checklist - Alcohol-related Crime
Alcohol and drug related crime	10-year UK Government plan to combat illegal drugs and responsibilities of national and local partners.	HM Govt: From Harm to Hope - Government's 10yr plan to cut crime
Alcohol and drug related crime	Government's guidance for local delivery partners on the 10-year drugs plan to cut crime and save lives.	HO: Guidance for local delivery partners: From Harm to Hope
Alcohol and drug related crime	Office for Health and Improvement & Disparities (OHID) guidance on the commissioning quality standard for alcohol and drug treatment and recovery.	OHID: Alcohol and drug treatment recovery commissioning guidance
Drug and Alcohol treatment services for women	Centre for Justice Innovation commissioning guidance for drug and alcohol treatment services for women.	Centre for Justice Innovation: Drug and alcohol treatment services for women: A guide to commissioning

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Portfolio: Victims

Policy area	Summary	Link
Domestic Abuse Perpetrators	HMPPS Policy Framework for working with domestic abuse takes account of a range of domestic abuse contexts and the need to protect victims and children.	HMPPS: Domestic abuse policy framework
Domestic Abuse Perpetrators	Home Office policy paper on overarching principles and practice guidelines for commissioning and delivering interventions.	HO: Standards for domestic abuse perpetrator interventions
Domestic Abuse Perpetrators	Briefing papers from Respect for Commissioners. First paper looks at Respect Standard and its alignment with Home Office standards for perpetrator interventions and the benefit of Respect's robust accreditation process. The second briefing focuses on perpetrators with criminal justice involvement and those involved in family court proceedings.	Respect: briefing papers for commissioners focus on safe and effective perpetrator work
Domestic Abuse (DA)	Home Office Tackling Domestic Abuse Plan which aims to drive down the prevalence of DA and domestic homicide and provide victims and survivors with the support they need.	HO: Tackling Domestic Abuse Plan
Domestic Abuse (DA)	Galop, UK LGBT+ anti-violence charity, guidance on commissioning for inclusion. Looking at delivering services for LGBT+ survivors of DA.	Galop: Commissioning for inclusion: Delivering services for LGBT+ survivors of domestic abuse
Domestic Abuse (DA)	NHS Scotland and Scottish Government guidance supports professionals working with women, children and young people affected by DA, and aims to strengthen awareness and understanding of trauma-informed and DA-informed practice.	NHSS/Scottish Government: Domestic abuse and trauma-informed practice - companion document
Domestic Abuse (DA)	The Centre for Social Justice paper looks at DA from a public health perspective.	CSJ: No honour in abuse - harnessing the health service to end domestic abuse

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Domestic Abuse (DA)	Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) statutory guidance underpinning new duties on local authorities relating to the provision of accommodation-based support to DA victims and their children.	DLUHC: Domestic Abuse Act Statutory guidance
Independent Sexual Violence Advisors	NPCC and CPS National Framework for working with Independent Sexual Violence Advisors and support services.	NPCC/CPS National Framework for working with ISVAs and support services
Sexual Violence	College of Policing briefing on a national operating model for the investigation of rape and serious sexual offences.	CoP: National Operating Model for Rape - Op. Soteria
Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)	Department for Education guidance on CSE includes definition of CSE, potential vulnerabilities and indicators of abuse and appropriate action to take in response.	DfE: Child sexual exploitation: Guidance
Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)	Home Office commissioning framework for all commissioners of support services for victims and survivors of CSE in England.	HO: Commissioning Framework for CSA
Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)	NSPCC guidance on protecting children from sexual exploitation. Including definitions, impact, and how to recognise, respond and prevent CSE.	NSPCC: Protecting children from sexual exploitation
Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)	Home Office policy paper outlining the new strategy covering the government's plan to tackle VAWG.	HO: Tackling VAWG Strategy
Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)	Home Office national guidance of expectations and commissioning toolkit outlines how to commission effective services to tackle VAWG.	HO: National Statement of Expectations & Commissioning Toolkit
Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)	Women's Aid guidance for commissioning services that support women and children survivors of violence.	WomensAid: SUCCESSFUL COMMISSIONING - guide for commissioning services that support women and children survivors of violence

Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)	Welsh Government statutory guidance for the Commissioning of Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (VAWDASV) Services in Wales.	Welsh Government: Statutory Guidance for the Commissioning of VAWDASV services in Wales
Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) and Domestic Abuse	Home Office paper on supporting male victims. Position statement on male victims of crimes considered in the cross-government Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy and the Tackling Domestic Abuse Plan.	HO: Supporting male victims
Victims	Ministry of Justice paper outlining the cross-government Victims Strategy and vision for supporting victims of crime.	MoJ: Victims Strategy
Victims	Ministry of Justice Victims' Services Commissioning Framework, outlining information and advice for commissioners of services for victims of crime. (New version to be released Spring 2024)	MoJ: Victim Services Commissioning Framework
Victims Funding	Ministry of Justice Victims Funding Strategy which sets out the vision for how to fund the victim support sector more sustainably and ensure victims and survivors can access the support they need.	MoJ: Victims Funding Strategy
Victims	SafeLives guidance to developing survivor's voice.	SafeLives: A guide to developing survivor voice.
Victims	Vulnerability Knowledge & Practice Programme (VKPP) reports that consider how policing understands the 'voice of the victim' to understand what helps or hinders policing to prioritising, hearing and responding to it.	VKPP: Voice of the Victim
Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARC)	NHS England commissioning framework for adult and paediatric SARC services.	NHSE: Commissioning Framework for Adult and Paediatric SARC Services
Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARC)	NHS England, Male Survivors Partnership and Lime Culture good practice guide to supporting male victims/survivors in accessing a SARC.	NHSE: Supporting male victims/survivors accessing a SARC

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Modern Slavery	Home Office statutory guidance on how to identify and support victims of modern slavery.	HO: Modern Slavery Statutory guidance
Modern Slavery	Home Office and UK Visas and Immigration guidance on National Referral Mechanism (NRM) for England and Wales. The NRM is a framework for identifying and referring potential victims of modern slavery and ensuring they receive the appropriate support.	HO: National referral mechanism guidance for adults

Placeholder for links to relevant In Focus reports that highlight work other PCCs have commissioned e.g., Retail and Business, Addictions, Victims.

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