**Safeguarding Victims of Violence Against Women and Girls**

* Forcewide delivery of Domestic Abuse Matters training – including frontline officers, custody, force control room, CID and many others (including supervisors) – assists officers in better identifying risk factors in cases of domestic violence, resulting in better safeguarding of victims.
* Operation Soteria: The designated rape investigation team, including investigators and sexual offences liaison officers (SOLO), increases the number of arrests of suspects of rapes, increases charge rates and number of cases brought to court. Designated SOLOs work closely with independent sexual violence advocates and support the victims throughout the criminal justice journey, regularly reviewing risk and safeguarding.
* Forcewide delivery of Rape and Serious Sexual Offences (RASSO) first responder training started in April, improving our response to victims of sexual abuse, including better risk assessments and management of offenders as well as better bespoke safeguarding.
* Purchase of Hollieguard app – provides additional safeguarding for victims of domestic violence.
* Multi-agency risk assessment conference (MARAC) arrangements exist across all 5 local authorities allowing cross-partnership safeguarding of high risk victims of domestic abuse.
* Multi-agency public protection arrangements (MAPPA) support cross-partnership management of the most dangerous violent offenders and sex offenders.
* Utilisation of preventative orders and warning, including sexual harm prevention orders, domestic violence prevention notices and orders, stalking prevention orders, child abduction warning notices,
* Multi-agency Adults at Risk Of Sexual Exploitation (AaROSE) meetings – the Modern Day slavery team regularly undertakes visits to those engaged in the sex-work industry, gaining better understanding of the business practises and increasing the number of females engaging with partners and providing additional safeguarding opportunities
* Designated Sexually Exploited Adults liaison officer, working with partners to provide additional safeguarding for sexually exploited adults.
* Well established good working practices with children’s services and immigration enforcement, allowing better safeguarding of unaccompanied migrant children (Operation Innerste).
* A dedicated modern day slavery team working with other teams across the force to target county lines matters and cuckooing, protecting victims of modern day slavery and human trafficking crimes.
* Designated teams working with child victims and children at risk of criminal and sexual exploitation, working with partners to safeguard those children and divert them away from exploitation.