Cardiff East

Domestic Abuse

A Partnership Response
What’s The Issue?

- High level of incidents in Cardiff East compared with other neighbourhoods.
- Particular concentration in the St Mellons estate.
- Issues with under-reporting.
- Correlation with other social problems (family breakdown, school attendance, etc.).
- Priority in Cardiff East NM Action Plan
What Have We Done?

- Holistic Approach: ‘Operation Abigor’

- Partner Engagement: Communities First, C3SC, Housing, Women’s Aid

- 3 Development Areas:
  - Enforcement
  - Education
  - Support

- Increased detection rate – 33% to 75%

Key Improvement Actions:

- Golden Hour Principles
- Victim Contact
- Officer Attendance
- Partnership working.
- Prosecutions.
- Measuring & Monitoring
What Barriers Did We Face?

• Culture change for officers and partners.

• Scenes of crime recording.

• Quality of evidence.

• Prosecution decisions.

• Engagement with victims.
What Are We Doing Next?

• Further development of ‘well-being’ days (informal, multi-agency support events).

• Additional training for ‘first contact’ staff and agencies involved with domestic abuse victims.

• Further networking with local agencies in contact with families and people at risk.

• Developing further links with Women’s Aid.

• Working with local schools to educate and provide support on domestic abuse issues.

• Targeted communication strategy in community.
What Do We Need From CPB?


2. Commitment to piloting use of head cams / pocket cams to record scenes of crime evidence.

3. Awareness raising across partner organisations and service providers.