



Violence against women occurs as a consequence of the social inequalities which exist between men and women.

It recognises that violence against women, children and young people can take many forms and that some women, children and young people may experience different and/or multiple forms of male violence over their lifetime.

Working Together to End Violence Against Women and Girls.

Making connections and forging relationships. Enabling the delivery of a more holistic plan to tackle all forms of violence against women at a local level to ensure:

“That Glasgow is a thriving, inclusive and resilient city – a city where all citizens can enjoy the best possible health and well-being, and have the best opportunities to meet their potential.”

Your voice can make a difference - don't stay silent



What is Violence against women?

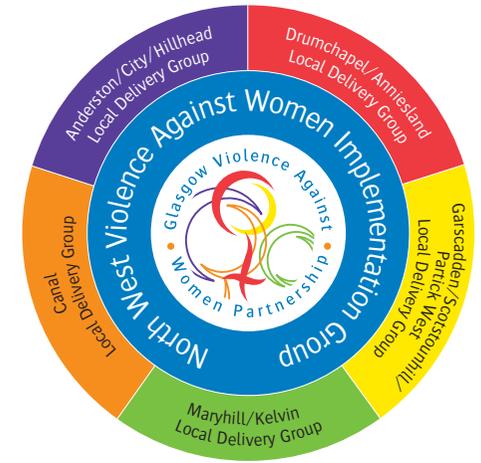
Violence against women encompasses but is not limited to the following:

“Physical, sexual and psychological violence occurring in the family, within the general community, or in institutions including:

domestic abuse; rape; sexual assault; stalking and sexual harassment and intimidation at work and in the public sphere; commercial sexual exploitation, including prostitution, trafficking and pornography; child sexual abuse and adult survivors of child sexual abuse; dowry related violence; female genital mutilation; forced and child marriages and ‘so called honour crimes.” (GVAWP)

intimidation, incest, date rape human trafficking
sexual abuse
female genital mutilation
rape stalking
marital-rape Domination child sexual abuse
commercial sexual exploitation
domestic abuse
prostitution and pornography
sexual harassment
forced marriage psychological violence physical violence

Violence against Women local delivery group



Why get involved?

The North West VAW Local Delivery Groups (LDGs) form part of the North West Violence Against Women Implementation Group and as such are also formally connected to the City wide Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership (GVAWP).

In order to implement its strategic objectives at a local level the GVAWP supports the development of the Violence Against Women local delivery groups. It has been agreed that some of their functions will be further devolved to drive forward local initiatives.

What does membership mean?

Violence Against Women LDGs are committed to working in partnership firmly in the belief that all member organisations hold part of the key to solutions in tackling violence against women, children and young people in all its forms.

Members have responsibility for attending meetings, informing the Work Plans, implementing agreed actions as appropriate, reporting back to their own agencies on the work of the group and other key Partnerships and groups.

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Our Aims

- To bring together local statutory and voluntary organisations who are concerned with issues in relation to violence against women and girls.
- To build the capacity for multiagency working on VAW at a community level.
- Raise awareness of the impact of VAW in a range of service areas, for example mental health, education, children's services, employment services, addictions, criminal justice, police and housing services.
- To become the established consultation mechanism on VAW within communities.
- To ensure local intelligence is used to inform planning and performance monitoring.
- To raise and maintain the profile of VAW within partner agencies/organisations.
- To support community responses to VAW.

Connections between groups to support violence against women and girls and also add value to the health improvement thriving places approach tackling inequality together.



Our Objectives

- Identifying priorities on VAW issues within the community
- Agreeing VAW Action Plans based on locally identified priorities
- Making known the VAW priorities to CPP area partnerships
- Seeking representation from all relevant partners
- Promoting the Action Plans within relevant internal and external groupings
- Monitoring and reporting on progress of Action Plans to the North West VAW Implementation Group and other relevant planning mechanisms
- Developing local referral pathways for women who present at key agencies – with particular regard to the needs of vulnerable/marginalised women including BME; Lesbian; elder; asylum seeking, refugee and migrant women; women with complex needs
- Identifying good practice initiatives and facilitating the improvement of knowledge transfer across services and sectors
- Monitoring and reporting on progress against locality VAW Action Plan priorities
- Invite or co-opt members onto the delivery group on an action by action basis

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The Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership brings together a range of statutory and voluntary agencies in Glasgow with the aim of improving agency responses to women, children and young people who have experienced male violence.

The GVAWP believes that by improving participation will result in better service provision, improved legal protection and help prevent further abuse to women, children and young people.

This aim is in line with the Scottish Government's violence against women strategy

Equally Safe: Scotland's strategy for preventing and eradicating violence against women and girls.

The Local Delivery Groups will work together to further add value to the connections that have already been made in the North West.

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