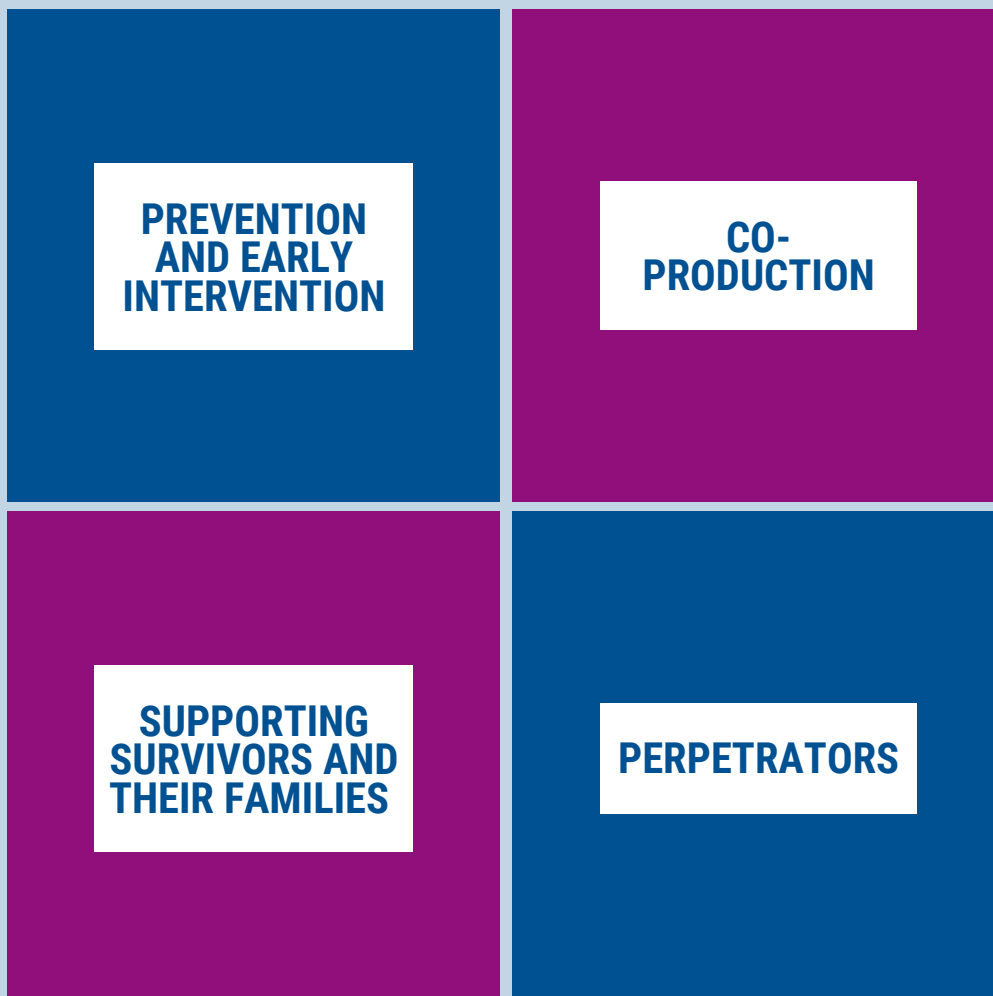


# DOMESTIC ABUSE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE STRATEGY 2021-2024

On 23 June 2021, the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Board and Community Safety Partnership in Bradford launched their joint Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence strategy. The strategy explains how professional organisations in our district will come together to ensure everyone can live free from harm caused by domestic abuse and sexual violence, in all its forms.

## THERE ARE FOUR PARTS TO THE STRATEGY:



[You can view the full strategy here.](#)

# PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION

We will **prevent** domestic abuse and sexual violence by **changing attitudes** and through **early intervention** programmes. This means:

**1**

**We will concentrate on 'Early Help' to prevent domestic abuse and sexual violence problems from getting worse.**

**2**

**We will work with schools, businesses, communities and faith groups to educate on domestic abuse and sexual violence.**

**3**

**We will start new projects and share what we learn with our partners to create change.**

**4**

**We will make sure the right people have the right training to support those in need.**

# CO-PRODUCTION

We will work with people with **lived experience** of domestic abuse and sexual violence to help shape our policies, processes and services. We will do this by:

**1**

**Starting a forum of survivors who will discuss and debate issues.**

**2**

**Developing a specific offer of support to families of victims.**

**3**

**Ensuring that our work creates impact, but is done safely.**

## SUPPORTING SURVIVORS AND THEIR FAMILIES

We will improve the **access to** and **experience** of our support services to **protect** victims and help their **recovery** by:

1

Transforming our accommodation for teenagers and children.

2

Providing clear information that can be understood by everyone.

3

Ensuring our support is based on evidence that it works.

4

Ensuring our services are inclusive to all.

5

Keeping an eye on the data, and responding to common issues that arise.

6

Applying the new Domestic Abuse Act 2021 across our district.

# PERPETRATORS

We will hold **perpetrators** of violence and abuse to account; offer programmes to help **change behaviour** and provide support. We will do this by:

**1**

**Piloting new and innovative interventions and projects.**

**2**

**Working with, and learning from, other local authorities to find out their approach.**

**3**

**Making sure that all the legal options to hold perpetrators to account are routinely considered.**

**4**

**Providing stronger links with mental health services.**

**5**

**Preventing children being victims but ensuring their experiences are responded to quickly if they are.**