

Local Government Association

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To discuss

- The Government's Serious Violence Strategy
- Proposed statutory duty on serious violent crime
- Resources and guidance

Serious Violence Strategy

Four key themes:

1. Tackling county lines and misuse of drugs;
2. Early intervention and prevention;
3. Supporting communities and partnerships; and
4. Effective law enforcement and criminal justice response

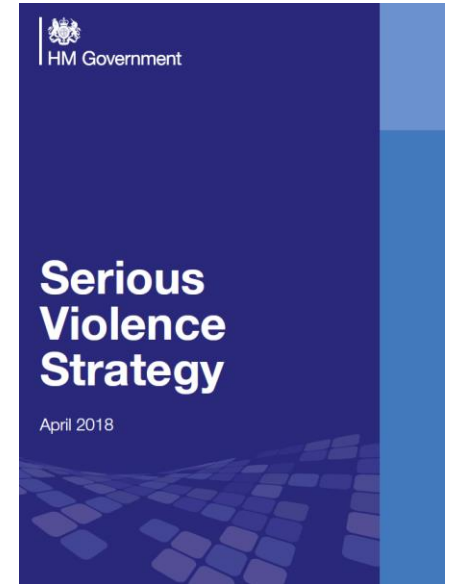
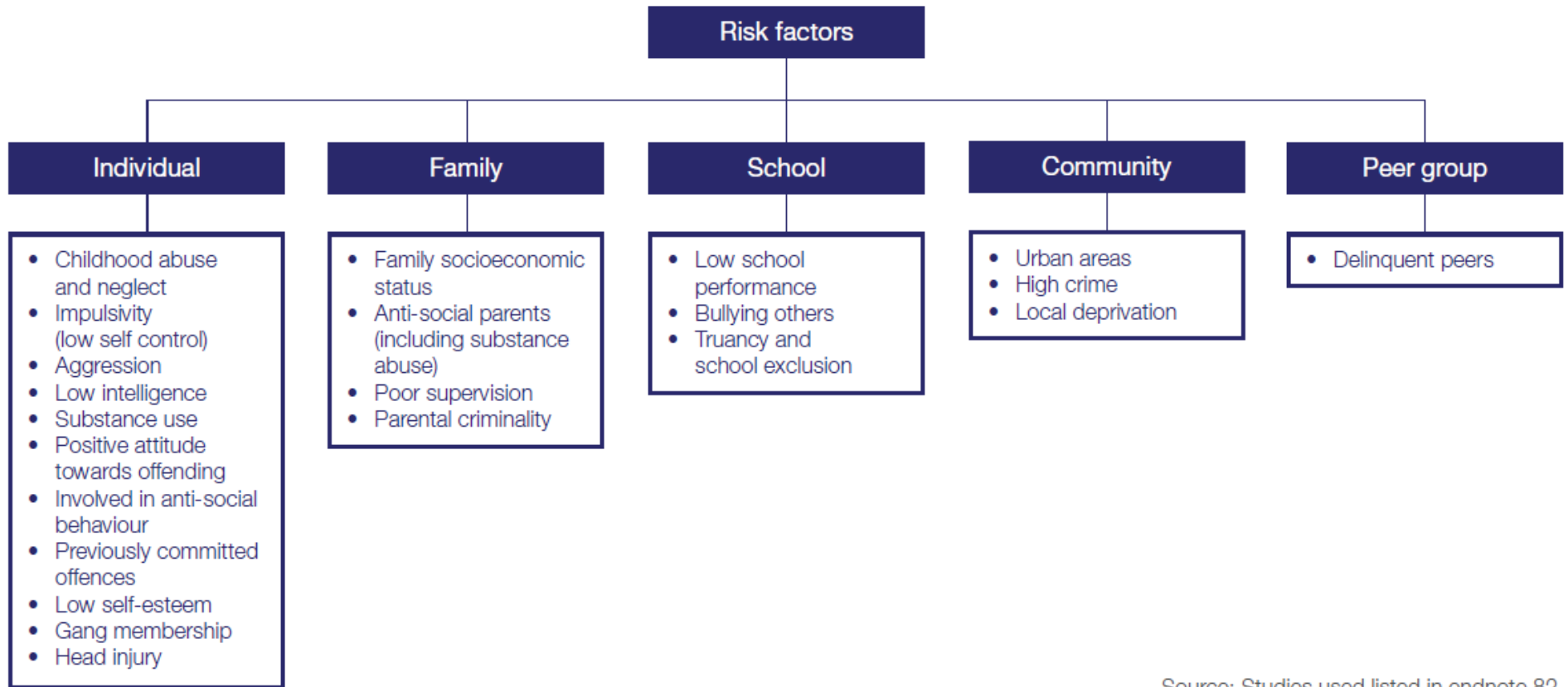


Figure 14: Identified risk factors for serious violence



Source: Studies used listed in endnote 82

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.@CllrSBlackburn delivers a presentation to the Serious Violence Taskforce, outlining the challenges of county lines in Blackpool and the effective multi-agency response in place which is helping to tackle this activity
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Key Government announcements following the SV Strategy

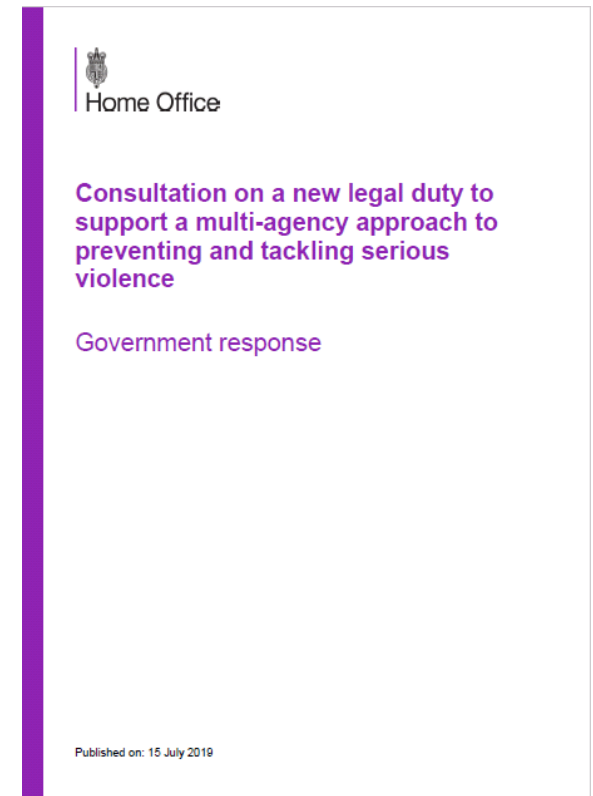
- Government consultation on new legal duty to underpin a ‘public health’ approach to tackling serious violence
- New £200 million Youth Endowment Fund
- Independent review of drug misuse

New legal duty - Consultation

Option one: A new duty on specific organisations to have due regard to the prevention and tackling of serious violence.

Option two: A new duty through legislation to revise Community Safety Partnerships.

Option three: A voluntary non-legislative approach.



Queen's speech: LGA responds to serious violence bill

"We support a public health approach to tackling serious violent crime, which has become an increasing priority for councils."

Community safety

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Funding for Violence Reduction Units announced

Policing Minister confirms £35 million for 18 Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs) to set up Violence Reduction Units.

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Police force

Metropolitan Police	Essex
West Midlands	Avon and Somerset
Greater Manchester	Kent
Merseyside	Nottinghamshire
West Yorkshire	Leicestershire
South Yorkshire	Bedfordshire
Northumbria	Sussex
Thames Valley	Hampshire
Lancashire	South Wales

Home Secretary announces a package of new measures to tackle county lines

New £20 million investment intensifies law enforcement efforts to disrupt county lines model.

Published 1 October 2019

From: [Home Office](#) and [The Rt Hon Priti Patel](#)



The Home Secretary Priti Patel has announced a surge of activity to crack down on county lines drugs gangs.

The package of measures - underpinned by £20 million of Home Office investment - will intensify law enforcement efforts to disrupt the county lines model.

Breaking the cycle of youth violence


Case studies




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Public health approaches to reducing violence

Report


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The relationship between family violence and youth offending


Report


Public Health England


Protecting and improving the nation's health

A whole-system multi-agency approach to serious violence prevention

A resource for local system leaders in England


Home Office

Criminal Exploitation of children and vulnerable adults: County Lines guidance



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