

Coventry Youth Violence Prevention Strategy

Vision Statement: Empowering young people to be safe in our city [#SafeCoventry](#)

Our approach

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Building strong foundations

Gathering intelligence – scoping the problem. Robust governance. Whole system approach - working across all partner agencies including businesses. Baseline data and key performance data to track progress. Cross partnership working to reduce inequalities.

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Primary Prevention

Passionately advocate for Early Years Support
Improving life chances through supporting parenting
Work with parents and communities to build safer communities
Maximising our early help offer education through PHSE on staying safe and developing resilience.

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Secondary Prevention

Mentoring for violence prevention (MVP) in schools
Identifying those at risk (trauma informed practice) using intel-based models and rapid referral to reduce risk
Funding for major projects in the city to reduce violence.

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Tertiary Prevention

Reducing re-offending through “teachable moments”
St. Giles Trust
Encouraging professional curiosity across the system, training staff to spot the signs.

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Enforcement & Criminal Justice

Developing innovative criminal justice practice e.g. trauma informed policing
Cross-cutting work with the Horizon team.

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Attitudinal change using effective communication

Challenging the culture of violence and promoting the counter narrative
Changing our view of young offenders as professionals
Effective communications strategy.