

Safer in Kent

News from Matthew Scott: Kent's Police and Crime Commissioner

PCC LAUNCHES INQUIRY INTO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

The Police and Crime Commissioner has launched his wide-ranging Inquiry looking into violent crimes against Women and Girls in Kent.

Why?

The vision is to make Kent even safer for women and girls be they at work, School, or public place, through partnership working. In the wake of recent horrific events and the Government's ongoing VAWG strategy, Matthew Scott aims to work with others to understand what more can be done, identifying gaps in provision, seeking ways to prevent these crimes affecting women and girls and improving their journey through the Criminal Justice System, building on the good work already being done in the county.

How?

The Inquiry will include various stages to discuss how we can best prevent, engage, understand the victim's journey and rehabilitate offenders. This will include: Roundtables with stakeholders, workshops with victim services and service users, and the pulling together of ten years of data, (as well as looking at how victims have been treated). Set piece events, such as the Performance and Delivery Board with the Chief Constable and the Kent Criminal Justice Board will focus solely on how Kent Police and other Criminal Justice agencies are tackling VAWG crimes will also take place.

One key part of the inquiry is a **Call for evidence survey**. This is to understand how women and girls in Kent feel about difference issues, like safety at home and at work or school, safety in public spaces at night or day, what prevention methods are being employed and whether victims feel they've been treated appropriately. If you live in Kent and are a woman or girl, you can get your views across by completing the survey to help make a difference to women and girls across the county.

[Link to the survey is within the email.](#)



Graphic advertising the Violence against Women and Girls Survey

I'm happy to help you or answer questions—please do get in touch with me using the details below

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