Anti-Slavery Partnership Toolkit: A Project Outline

This document outlines a proposed 'toolkit' to assist frontline practitioners and service-providers who wish to work in partnership to improve responses to modern slavery. The toolkit will be curated by the University of Nottingham and the Office of the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner, with support from Wales Anti-Slavery Leadership Group. Contributions will be invited from a wide range of organisations working in partnership to deliver anti-slavery programmes.

Toolkit concept and purpose

The concept of the toolkit is to provide a range of resources to help frontline practitioners and service providers in:

- Determining their need for an anti-slavery partnership
- Getting appropriate partners engaged
- Setting an agenda and forward-plan
- Securing resources
- Establishing partnership governance and accountability frameworks
- Creating a delivery plan
- Taking joint actions
- Measuring and monitoring performance
- Engaging with survivors
- Increasing public awareness, community mobilisation and co-production.

Format and content of the toolkit

The toolkit will have a number of different elements which could be brought together in an accessible online format linked to existing Nottingham / IASC resources (currently hosted at http://iascmap.nottingham.ac.uk/about/).

It is envisaged that content could draw on a mixture of existing and new resources. This might include:

- A checklist of questions helping practitioners to discover what partnership arrangements are currently in place, where gaps exist, and to determine what kind of anti-slavery partnership work they want to progress.
- Case studies looking at how to engage with a range of different stakeholders, organisations and sectors.
- A governance library, with sample terms of reference, information-sharing agreements, modern slavery statements, procurement policies, commissioning frameworks etc.
- A guide to monitoring and evaluation in partnerships (drawing on existing Midlands collaborative work).
- Checklist of performance data
- Signposting to existing resources (e.g. GOV.UK training resources, IASC training videos, downloadable / customisable publicity material.)
- The UK Training Library – password protected
- Ideas on securing further resources (lists of funders, grant applications, examples of projects, linked twitter feed for NGOs / researchers looking for partners etc.)
- A library of key papers summaries and reports looking at Modern Slavery.
- Good practice/ HMI reports
- An online form that lets individuals update existing entries in the UoN / IASC online database of partnerships.

Other suggestions for toolkit content are welcome.

Outline timetable

Jan / Feb 2018 – discuss and agree project brief.

March 2018 onwards – begin to assemble materials and links for the toolkit. Share project with partners and start to collate contributions, write checklist.

March / June 2018 – build interface and populate with links.

June 2018 – complete guide to monitoring and evaluation.

July 2018 – launch toolkit.

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