REPORT TO:	Safer Halton PPB
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DATE: 19th June 2007

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Health & Community

SUBJECT: Sexual Violence

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To bring to the attention of this PPB a recent report that was submitted to the Safer Halton Partnership in respect of sexual violence/violent crime. The report is attached as Appendix 1.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That:**

- i) The PPB notes and comments on the report.
- ii) The PPB supports the Domestic Abuse Forum to develop a system of services for victims of sexual violence.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Attached, as Appendix 1 is a copy of a report received by the Safer Halton Partnership on 15th May 2007 in respect of new initiatives relating to sexual violence. This is presented for members consideration and information.

4.0 **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

4.1 None associated with this report, although future consideration will need to be given to funding the development of a sexual violence service.

5.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

5.1 None associated with this report.

6.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

6.1 The attached report outlines the emerging issues relating to this subject and the need to address them.

7.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

7.1 None under the meaning of the Act.

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