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Liberal Democrat Group Amendment to the recommendations within the Local Response to Violence against Women and Girls Report

Add new recommendation B as follows:

B. Recognising that misogyny is systemic, and acknowledging the hurt and anger expressed more recently by women and girls in response to the murder of Sarah Everard, which was in part calling for their lived experience to be listened to and real action taken to address their concerns, Council calls on Cabinet to:

(1) develop safe and confidential opportunities for women and girls to share their experiences with the Council and other appropriate authorities to inform their work in changing male behaviour to reduce VAWG; and

(2) to explore how restorative justice processes might be utilised to provide victims with an additional form of support and means of reducing VAWG.

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