# Tackling violence: a synergy of approaches

#### Background

- There are different approaches used to prevent and reduce violence. Three of the most common are:
  - 1. The public health approach
  - Problem solving
  - Contextual safeguarding
- The approaches all share similarities yet are used in isolation.

#### Methods

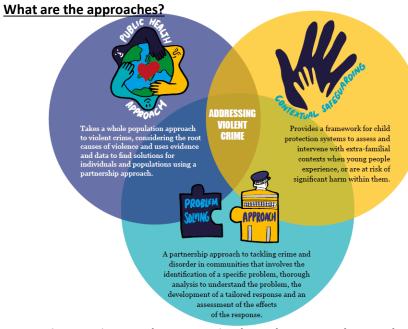
- A professional consensus panel formed to define the three approaches in practice, the steps required to combine them and the benefits and challenges of each.
- A practitioner toolkit that set out the findings of the panel was co-produced.

## **Findings**

- Theoretical approaches are often not used as intended by those who create them.
- The toolkit clarifies the fundamentals of each approach and proposes ways they could be used together in practice, receiving positive feedback.

#### Interpretation

- To our knowledge this is the first time approaches have been brought together to understand their collective benefit
- This work provides a foundation for a pilot intervention to assess the impact of combining these approaches on reducing violence.



### Prevention continuum: demonstrating how the approaches can be used together

All organisations and professions working er with communities to create change







**Public Health Approach** 

**Problem solving** 

**Contextual safeguarding** 



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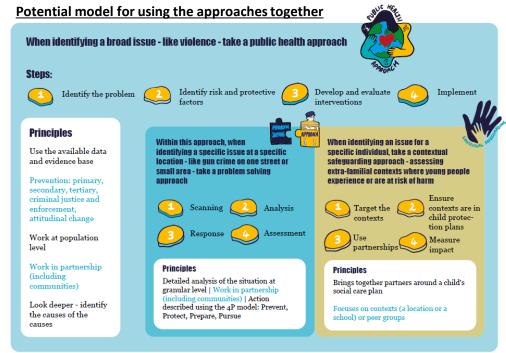






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## Potential model for using the approaches together

