

Birmingham Drug Strategy 2013

Vision: Birmingham sets out a clear ambition to develop health, social care and criminal justice responses which reduce the demand for illegal drugs, restrict supply and support those affected to fully recover from their dependencies.

Key aims: (1) Reduce illicit /other harmful drug use; (2) Increase numbers recovering from dependence; (3) reduce the impact on families and communities

	Outcome	Action	Measure	Target
Reduce demand	Break inter-generational paths to dependency	Support vulnerable families with their substance misuse related problems including DV.	Reduced drug related harms	Reduction
	Reduction in illegal drug use across the population	Provide appropriate information and advice to the at risk population.	Reduction in overall use of illegal drugs	Reduction
	Fewer young people taking up illegal drug use	Provide good quality substance misuse education and advice to young people and their parents; Intervene early where necessary with intensive support for young people affected by substance misuse.	Reduction in the use of illegal drugs by young people	Reduction
	Lower levels of drug related offending	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consistently enforce effective criminal sanctions to deter drug use. Provide the necessary treatment services for all drug using offenders. 	Reduction in drug related offending rates	Reduction
	Fewer "looked after" children	Engage in treatment substance misuse parents	Number of "looked after" children	Reduction
Restrict supply	Reduction in the supply of illegal drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen the coordinated efforts of the police and local partners to disrupt the illegal drug supply Maximise integrated offender management initiatives so to manage drug misusing offenders. Disrupt drug related criminal businesses and seize assets gained from drug related crime Reduce the illegal drug supply in prisons. Mobilise whole community responses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in illegal drug supply Low offending rates of PPO's Increased disruption of drug related businesses Reduced illegal drug use in prison Implement community responses 	Reduction Reduction Increase Reduction Increase
Build recovery	Increase in numbers of individuals successfully recovering from their dependency upon drug misuse with a sensitivity to under-represented groups, including BME, women and young people.	Develop a treatment system with the necessary partners which maximises recovery from the dependency on drugs and alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in the freedom from dependence on drugs or alcohol Prevention of drug related deaths and blood borne viruses Reduction in crime and re offending Sustained employment Sustained suitable accommodation Improvement in mental and physical health and well being Improved relationships with families, partners and friends The capacity to be an effective and caring parent 	Increase Reduction Reduction Increase Increase Increase Increase Increase