

# Testing, implementing and replicating Rapid Video Response to eligible domestic abuse calls for service

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How to deliver transformational change in policing locally and regionally within the UK

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# An Evidence Base for a shift in service offerings Rapid Video Response



Immediate Video Service vs. Delayed Physical Attendance: Caller Satisfaction, Cost-Effectiveness & Outcomes in a Randomised Control Trial

## Concept

- <u>Immediate</u> video front line officer "first response" to a call for service, instead of a delayed (or scheduled) physical response.
- A fast, direct and <u>optional</u> response for victims' calls for help when they call for help – providing an outstanding quality service.
- Replicates what we do on the front line by utilising GoodSAM video to improve the victim journey and protect victims from harm.

# RVR Eligibility

Domestic Abuse

Offender not present

Priority/Appt call grade

Live call

Safe & able to use technology

Opt-in

#### Call Selection and transfer



#### 999/101 Telephone call into Control room

Call taker triages & grades the call which is identified for RVR prior to the caller clearing the line.





#### **Call transferred to Dispatcher**

Risk assessment undertaken, victim's preference discussed with victim & call flagged to RVR officer.



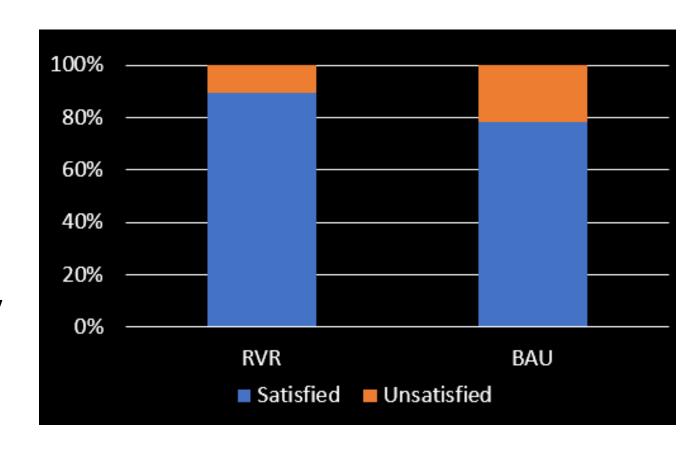


#### Rapid Video response

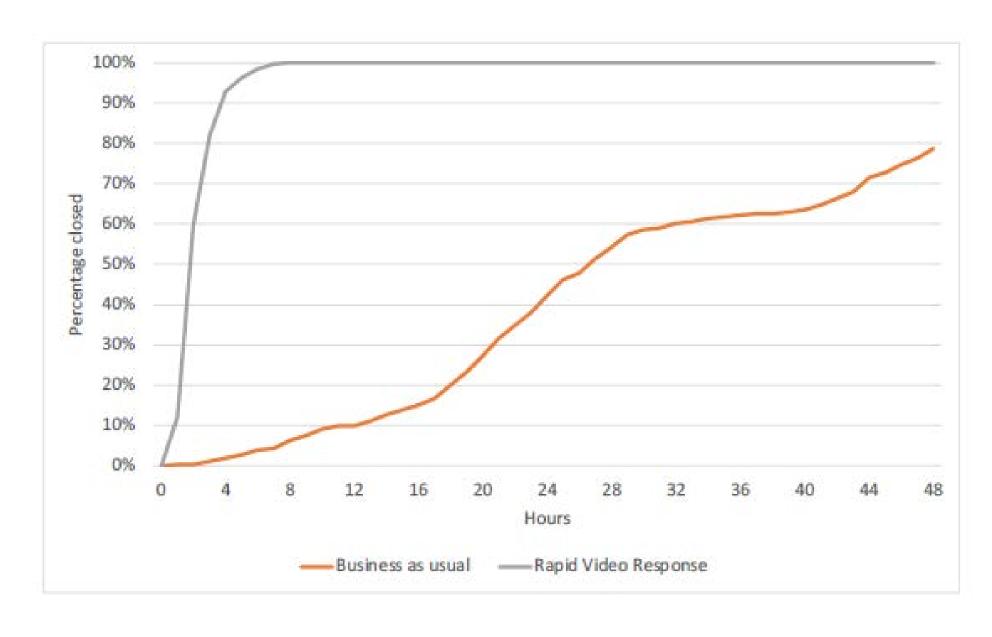
RVR officer texts victim who "clicks on the link" and is immediately transferred to RVR officer on video, who conducts the first response.

#### Results – Victim Satisfaction

- Equal satisfaction across both groups.
- Satisfaction higher for female intimate victims.
- Trust and Confidence increased & anxiety decreased for RVR victims.



#### Results – Victim wait time

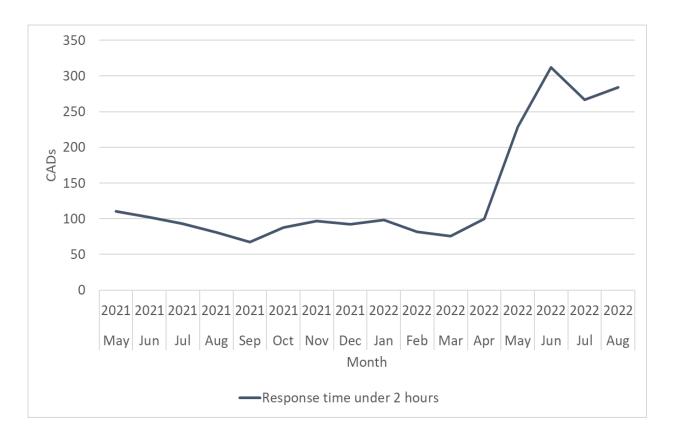


# Efficiency & Investigation Results

- Faster 656 times faster response (32 hours 49 minutes vs 3 minutes)
- More efficient saving of 1 hr 23 mins per call
- Improved arrests 50% more arrests

# Kent police Implementation

- 2,172 RVR calls serviced in 9 months
- 99% of victims surveyed were satisfied
- 8620 officer hours saved



















#### **ERIN** Vision

The Eastern Region Innovation Network will be a centre of excellence that leads on innovation and research, working jointly to test and implement transformational change at pace, harnessing and developing the expertise and skills in existence from across the region. It will promote a progressive, forward-thinking culture, embracing generational diversity, tackling the policing challenges of tomorrow.

The Network will be tactically agile, operationally effective and efficient and strategically responsive.

#### Replication & Assisted Implementation



"The support of ERIN has been invaluable, enabling us to get RVR up and running in such a short space of time, with the Blueprint being of incredible benefit. The Blueprint documents saved a lot of duplication, enabling me to tailor products to local processes and support conversations with stakeholders in force."

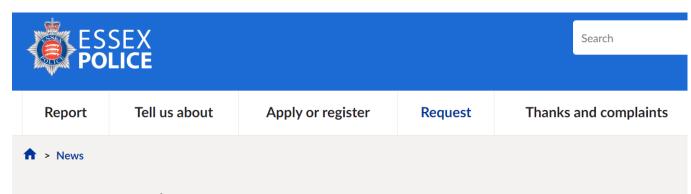
# Implementation – Victim feedback

PC Singh - "He was a really **supportive** man ....It was a long and involved call but he was calm and courteous and not pushy. **He was a breath of fresh air** and I felt **safer** for having spoken to him. Tell him to **keep being himself** and **he was brilliant."** 

PC Reed - "It was amazing to have the service so quickly, I could see the officer he was amazing and I felt connected and reassured."...." I feel it was gold star service, amazing video consultation, the advice given was amazing, I have to say 5 star for everything."

PC Day - 'I wanted to pass on a **massive thank you** to the PC, as I **felt at ease**, **relaxed....** spent so much time with me, not rushing me, everything nice and clear and clearly documented whilst on the video, even spoke to me again when another incident occurred'

#### Regional Impact



'Making a difference in people's lives': 1000 domestic abuse reports made via video tool

#### Suffolk Constabulary consider rapid video response

5th February





### Further Information



https://link.springer.COM/article/10.1007/s41887-022-00075-w