



Briefing for stakeholders #8

Introductory Note

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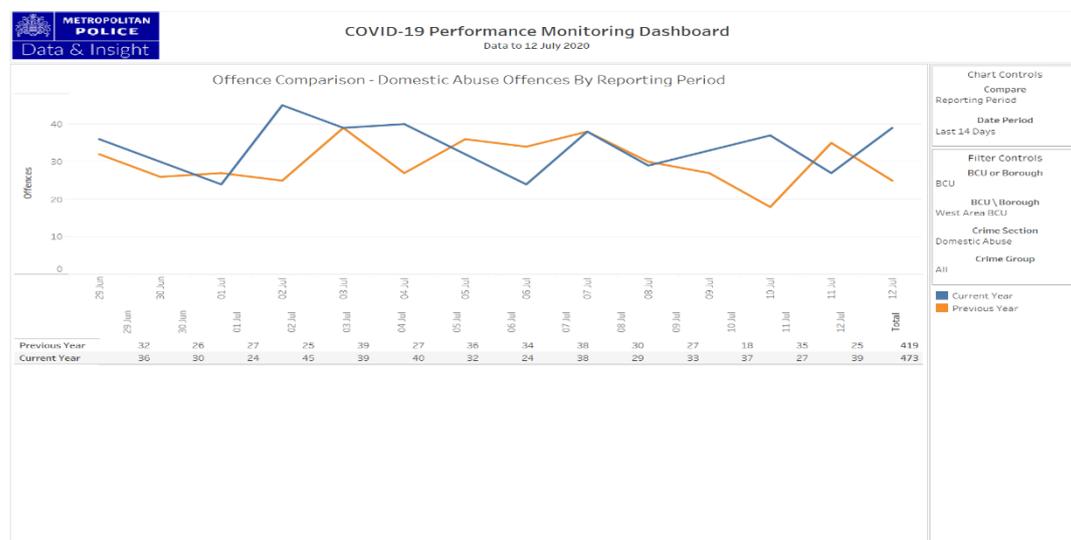
1. Recorded data

West Area BCU (to 12 July 2020):

BCU incident data shows a decrease from 425 to 380 to last week. This is an increase of seven incidents in the same period last year. Offences of violence with injury have decreased from 60 offences down to 57. This is an increase of nine offences from last year.

In the last 2 weeks there has been an increase of +12.8 in recorded DA offences compared to the same period last year.

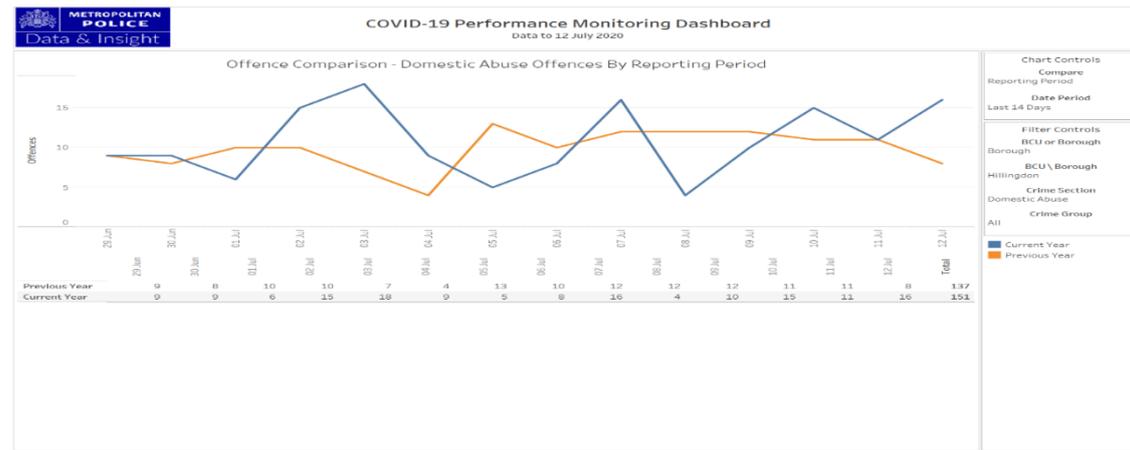
Please note that the numbers will fluctuate week on week due to late / delayed reporting.



Hillingdon Borough (data to 12 July 2020):

In the last week, there has been an increase in DA offences from 71 to 80 offences. This is an increase of four offences from the same period last year. VWI offences have increased from 19 to 22 offences. This is an increase of five offences from the previous year.

In the past 2 weeks there has been an increase of 10.2% in recorded DA Offences compared to the same period last year.



In addition, it is worth noting that the police data for Hillingdon Borough does NOT include the non-crime element, which invariably would be higher than the recorded DA Offence data.

Recommendation: That the wider partnership markets and broadcasts the availability of DA support services on the borough and across London and encourage the safe reporting of DA. Refer to the Local Resources Guide access via <https://hillingdon.gov.uk/abuse>

Metropolitan Police Service (ALL Boroughs) 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020

Overall there has been a 5.5% increase in recorded crime (of all crime types) – to 912,760 crimes recorded in the Metropolitan Police area in FY 19/20.¹ The sanctioned detection rate was 8.31%

In summary recorded DA offences have increased by 1.85% (to 89,831) and sanctioned detections have reduced by 22.29% to 12,039. This represents a sanctioned detection (conversion) rate of 13.4% (a reduction of 4.17% on FY 18/19). The DA Homicide level reduced from 23 in FY 18/19 to 14 DA Homicides in FY 19/20.

DA Violence with Injury (VWI) reduced from 24,315 recorded offences to 23, 637 in FY 19/20 (-2.79%), of which 4, 1223 offences resulted in a sanctioned detection.

¹ Metropolitan Police Service Statistics FY 2019/20 accessed via <https://www.met.police.uk/sd/stats-and-data/met/year-end-crime-statistics-19-20/>

	Offences		Sanctioned Detections			Offences Change	SD Change	Sanction Detection Rate (SDR)	SDR
	FY18/19	FY19/20	FY18/19	FY19/20				FY18/19	FY19/20
Total Notifiable Offences (TNO)	864,892	912,760	80,330	75,826		+5.53%	-5.61%	9.29%	8.31%
DA Offences	88,198	89,831	15,493	12,039		-1.85%	-13.62%	17.57%	13.4%
DA VWI	24,315	23,637	5614	4123		-2.79%	-26.56%	23.09%	17.44%
DA Homicide	23	14	24	15		-39.13%	-37.5%	104.35%	107.14%

Hillingdon Borough

As highlighted in the table below, in Hillingdon, recorded DA offences have reduced by 1.35% to 2,925 (a reduction of 40 offences), which has resulted in 577 sanctioned detections.² The SD rate for DA offences is 19.73% (compared to the MPS average of 13.4%).³

	Offences		Sanctioned Detections			Offences Change	SD Change	Sanction Detection Rate (SDR)	SDR
	FY18/19	FY19/20	FY18/19	FY19/20				FY18/19	FY19/20
Total Notifiable Offences (TNO)	25,533	27,212	2435	2348		+6.58%	-3.57%	9.54%	8.63%
DA Offences									

² Sanction Detections (SDs) are Charges, Cautions (Adult & Juvenile) and Summonses

³ MPS statistical data for Hillingdon Borough for FY 19/20 accessed via <https://www.met.police.uk/sd/stats-and-data/met/year-end-crime-statistics-19-20/>

	2965	2925	668	577		-1.35%	-13.62%	22.53%	19.73%
DA VWI	850	759	257	182		-10.71%	-29.18%	30.24%	23.98%

Hillingdon IDVA Service

There were 32 referrals of high DA cases to the Hillingdon IDVA Service in the 2 weeks to July 12th. In the previous 2 weeks there were 44 referrals to this service.

In FY 2019/20 there were 777 referrals to this service. This represents an increase of 3.46% compared to FY 2018/19. This is the highest annual number of referrals managed by this service.

DA Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC)

There have 24 high risk cases referred to the DA MARAC in the 2 weeks to July 12th compared to 32 referrals for the previous 2 weeks. The next 'remote' MARAC meeting is taking place on July 16th.

The SafeLives data for FY 19/20 (April to March) shows that our local MARAC managed 518 referrals, which is an 11% increase. This compares to a London average increase of 4%.

(Please see below for the DA MARAC Coordinator's contact details).

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)

In the 2 weeks to July 12th the MASH has received 119 MERLIN reports with a Domestic Abuse safeguarding element, of which 90 involved children. In the previous 2 weeks there were 117 Merlin referrals, of which there were 90 involving children. Overall there is a 20 - 25% increase in Merlin reports received in the MASH.

(Note: Any data provided is for guidance only and may change).

2. Resources

Hillingdon Council's Domestic Abuse web pages <https://hillington.gov.uk/abuse> provides helpful information including Local Resources Guide

- Abandoned, Forgotten and Ignored: Inclusion London's report about lived experiences of Disabled people during the Covid-19 pandemic

On Wednesday 24th June 2020 Inclusion London launches its interim report based on hundreds of responses to our survey. The report is available <https://www.inclusionlondon.org.uk/campaigns-and-policy/act-now/>

- National Centre for Domestic Violence (NCDV) latest news can be found by visiting

<https://www.ncdv.org.uk/news/>

NCDV is an amazing resource. Check out their web site:

<https://www.ncdv.org.uk/contact/>

- Hestia (Housing and Support) is a Commissioned by the Council to deliver floating support for victims who are DASH assessed as standard or medium risk.

Please see Hestia's Bluesky app <https://www.hestia.org/Blog/hestia-launches-bright-sky-app-to-support-those-affected-by-domestic-abuse>

3. Other News

DA Bill update: Children will finally be recognised as victims of domestic abuse. The parliamentary discussions on the Domestic Abuse Bill

here: <https://hansard.parliament.uk/commons/2020-07-06/debates/CEAE6941-5DC8-4F76-9377-3DE3ED0F3553/DomesticAbuseBill>

Government Fact sheet on the DA Bill:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/domestic-abuse-bill-2020-factsheets>

Key areas of work under development:

Night Time Economy (NTE) Strategy supported by Safe Spaces Scheme and Bystander Initiatives. In addition, such initiatives also support our work in developing a local Employers' Initiative recognising the importance of our people and internal communities.

We would welcome your contributions, support and involvement in the above work.

Action Point: In the coming weeks as part of the 3 year strategic delivery plan, we are going to seek your support regarding a focused initiative for local Employers (in their approaches to supporting staff and tackling DA and a wider Safer Spaces Scheme).

XXXX CrimeStoppers Campaign launched XXXX

The Council has been working with CrimeStoppers London on a local campaign to raise awareness of DA in / with our communities. The public space and social media messaging will be focussed on victims, family / friends / neighbours and perpetrators.

Some campaign messaging and imagery focussed on perpetrators and 'bystanders':



Action Point: Please can your communications team promote the Crimestoppers campaign across your social media platforms. See separate report.

Funding Opportunity: See <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/22-million-emergency-coronavirus-funding-for-more-than-540-sexual-violence-and-domestic-abuse-charities>

Local IDVA and MARAC Services – Reminder

As a reminder Hillingdon IDVA service and that provided by Victim Support remains operational. There will be remote contact with victims.

Referrals to Hillingdon IDVA Service can be made by the following NEW contact details: E-mail: hidvas@hillingdon.gov.uk and sstewart@hillingdon.gov.uk Tel: 07874620954

The DA MARAC will operate remotely every 2 weeks. Referrals to be made to Tim Moriarty – Timothy.Moriarty@met.pnn.police.uk

4. Our ASK

Please:

- i) Do let us know if your Organisation / Agency is receiving an increase in referral of DA cases.
- ii) Provide us with any information or sources you think maybe useful.
- iii) Provide us with any concerns, information of note, trends or community intelligence

- The impact on domestic abuse and victims / survivors is well documented and publicised. Less so, is that associated with Honour Based Abuse, Forced

Marriage and other forms of harmful traditional practice including Child Abuse linked Faith or Belief (CALF). Health, Social care and other front line professionals should be alert to these additional risks associated with COVID19. The National FGM Centre accessed via <http://nationalfgmcentre.org.uk/> is a good source of information and support. Additionally, checkout the Council's resources guide accessed via the Council's DA web pages (details above).

- Please let us know if you do not wish to receive these briefings.

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The next briefing will be provided on or about 31st July 2020.

15th July 2020