

#### Stakeholder Briefing #14

#### Police recorded DA

#### **Hillingdon Borough**

In the rolling 12 months to December 2020 Hillingdon Police recorded:

- 5723 domestic abuse incidents (a combination of crimes and non-crimes). There has been above average offending recorded in 6 of the last 7 months.
- 3319 domestic abuse offences. There has been above average offending recorded in 5 of the last 7 months.

In the same time period, Hillingdon Police recorded:

- 493 Sexual offences. Of which there were:
  - 199 Rape Offences. In 3 of the last 7 months there has been above average offences recorded.
  - 294 Other Sexual Offences recorded. In 1 of the last 7 months there has been above average offences recorded.

(Source: MOPAC Domestic and Sexual Violence dashboard <u>Domestic and Sexual Violence Dashboard | London</u> <u>City Hall</u>)

#### **Protective Orders**

- In Calendar Year 2020 there were 37 (6 last year) DV Protection Notices (DVPN) leading to 30 (5 last year) DV Protection Orders (DVPOs) being granted at Magistrates' Court. Four DVPO applications were declined at court.
- [These Notices and Order will be replaced with Domestic Abuse Protection Notices (DAPNs) and Domestic Abuse Protection Orders (DAPOs) by the Domestic Abuse Act 2020. The new Notices and Orders will be included in the training schedule of front-line professionals].
- Under the DV Disclosure Scheme (commonly referred to as Clare's Law) have been made on 12 occasions (from 39 applications) during 2020 to protect victims / survivors and their children.

#### HIDVA Service data for medium / high-risk data

- In Quarter 1 FY20/21 there were 188 referrals to the Hillingdon IDVA Service, which is an 8% increase compared to FY19/20 (when there were 174 referrals).
- In Q2 FY20/21, there were 210 referrals. In the same period, the HIDVA Service dealt with 167 referrals. This represents a 25.7% increase.
- In Q3 FY20/21 there were 181 new referrals. In Q3 for year 2019-20, there were 191 new referrals received of which 19 were on-ward referred to the Victim Support IDVA provision.
- In 2020, 775 high risk DA cases were referred to the council funded Hillingdon IDVA Service (HIDVAS), ensuring that expert advocacy, advice and other support was provided to the victims and their children. Similarly, to the MARAC referrals a large number of children were represented in those cases referred to the HIDVAS. Complex needs including mental health, drugs and/or alcohol misuse or a combination of all 3 were factors with victims and perpetrators.

#### **Operational DA MARAC data**

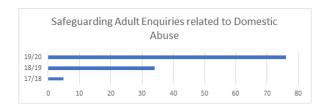
- The SafeLives data for FY 19/20 (April 2019 to March 2020) shows that our local MARAC managed 518 referrals, which is an 11% increase compared to the previous year. This compares to a London average increase of 4%
- In Q1 FY20/21 there were 151 referrals of high-risk cases (including 51 repeat referrals), which represents a 15.3% increase on Q1 FY 19/20 (131 referrals of which there were 29 repeat referrals)
- The Operational DA MARAC is meeting remotely every 2 weeks
- In Q2 FY20/21, there were 163 referrals (of which 53 are repeat referrals). In the same period in FY 19/20 there 116 referrals (of which 27 were repeat referrals). This represents a 40.5% increase in referrals.
- In the rolling 12 months to September 2020 there were 594 cases heard at the MARAC, which is 28% increase. Repeats cases 29%.
- Referral rates and volumes per 10,000 (of the local female population aged 16 years and over) currently fluctuates around 54% (an increase of 10% compared to the previous 12 months), and which is above the SafeLives recommended level of 40%
- In 2020, there were 593 cases have been managed by the DA MARAC. This is a 22% increase compared to 2019. Of note, there were 741 children in these high risk cases referred to the MARAC.
- The number of repeat cases fluctuates and is currently at 33%, an increase in local operational performance (from 22%) and within the recommended parameters of 28% 40% set by the national SafeLives organisation.
- There is regular schedule of multi-agency training in the use of the DASH model the borough's risk model of choice. The DASH model is included in all Level I Domestic Abuse training.
- There is an increase in the diversity of the victims being referred to the Hillingdon MARAC (although in most categories is below the Safelives recommended levels). There is improving reach across communities, which is ensuring more Black, Asian Minority Ethnic (BAME) people, disabled people, LGBT people and male victims are identified, risks to them are being managed and victims are being referred to specialist support services. The referrals in Hillingdon for BAME and Disabled people above the London average. In addition, the Hillingdon referral level for male victims at 5.20% is within the parameter set by Safelives (5 − 10%).

### Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) - Children

- In Q1 FY20/21 there were 737 police MERLIN reports regarding DA Safeguarding concerns compared to 537 in Q1 FY19/20. This represents a 37% increase
- In Q2 there were 667 MERLINS where DA/DV was an identified safeguarding concern. Of these, 186 related to adults, with 481 relating to relationships, which involved children.

#### Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) - Adults

Referrals to the Adult Social Care, which are related to domestic abuse over the last 3 financial years are reflected below:



A Daily Adult MASH meeting is now operating (Monday - Friday) at 12 noon. This weekday meeting is supported by a weekly overarching strategic meeting.

The feedback regarding this daily Adult MASH is positive.

#### DA and Sexual Violence Helpline data

Funded by London Councils, **Women's Aid**, **Refuge** (NDAH), the **Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre** (RASASC), the **Men's Advice Line** (Respect) and **Women and Girls Network's Sexual Violence Helpline** (WGN) are working together to deliver **dedicated helpline services for all victims of domestic and sexual violence**, including men, boys and LGBT callers.

- In FY 19/20, there were 19,249 calls to the service of which 625 calls were received by people who live in Hillingdon. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> highest level of calls in London (out of the 33 areas including the City of London Area).
- In Q1 FY20/21, there were 3265 calls to the service of which 76 calls were received by people who live in Hillingdon. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> highest level of calls in London.
- In Q2 FY20/21, there were 373 calls from people who identified as Hillingdon residents. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> highest call volume in London. Overall, there were 9932 calls to the service.
- In Q3 FY20/21, there were 348 calls to the helpline service. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> highest call volume in London. There were 8764 calls to this service.

### Victim Support London (Victim and Witness Service)

### **Service provided to Domestic Abuse Victims**

Case Source	Q3		
	Cases	%	
Police	256	88.6%	
Other Agency	3	1.0%	
MARAC	0	0.0%	
Self-referrals	20	6.9%	
Victim Support Internal	0	0.0%	
Co-location	10	3.5%	
Hospital	2	20.0%	
Police	0	0.0%	
Witness Care Units	8	80.0%	
Total	289	100.0%	
Crime Category	Q3		
	Cases	%	
Burglary - Dwelling	3	1.0%	

Criminal Damage	21	7.3%	
Fraud & Forgery	1	0.3%	
Non-Crime	30	10.4%	
Other Crime	36	12.5%	
Other Sexual Offences	1	0.3%	
Other Theft	7	2.4%	
Rape	5	1.7%	
Theft From The Person	2	0.7%	
Violence With Injury	127	43.9%	
Violence Without Injury	56	19.4%	
Total	289	100.0%	
Gender		<u> </u> 23	
Gender			
	Cases	%	
Female	224	77.5%	
Male	62	21.5%	
Not Given	3	1.0%	
Total	289	100.0%	

# Other key areas of work – Linked to the DA Strategy 2018 –2021

The Council's Website's DA Pages have been updated. See: Domestic abuse - Hillingdon Council

# **Domestic Abuse Act 2020**

Statutory definition of domestic abuse factsheet - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

### **Draft Statutory DA Guidance:**

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/896640/Draft\_statutory\_guidance\_July\_2020.pdf

### **Training events & awareness raising events:**

#### **Community Safety Team and Safeguarding Boards**

• DA awareness sessions for local multi-agency professionals (public and voluntary sectors) continue to be conducted - currently in a remote format. These awareness sessions are sponsored by the Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) and the local Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB). Training Programme Brochures have been produced and circulated. The next training sessions (remote) is 26.3.21 (Safeguarding Adult's Board Level I DA).

### Quarter 1

LSCB: 14.5.21 SAB: 26.5.21

### Quarter 2

LSCB: 6.7.21 SAB: 22.7.21

#### Quarter 3

LSCB: 14.10.21 SAB: 12.11.21

### Quarter 4

LSCB: 17.2.22 SAB: 10.3 22

# **Council's Community Safety Team's training events:**

30.3.21

11.5.21

7.7.21

9.9.21

4.11.21

14.1.22

16.3.22

The session will be on lone until further notice and conducted using a remote platform. Sessions will be  $9.30am\ 12.30pm$  when conducted remotely – otherwise  $9.30am\ -\ 1.30pm$ .

# **Community Safety Unit Community Engagement and Learning events:**

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22.5.21, 21.8.21 and 11.12.21
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The above session will also be conducted online 9.30am - 12.30-m unless notified to the contrary.

### **Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance (DAHA webinars):**

### Inclusivity and Accessibility

Tuesday March 23rd, 11:00am - 12:30pm

# • Case Management

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 11:00am – 12:30pm

# • Risk Management

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March, 11:00am – 12:30pm

#### • Homelessness and Domestic Abuse

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 11:00am – 12:30pm

Booking: DAHA Workshops - daha - Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance (dahalliance.org.uk)

### **Human Trafficking Foundation:**

Human Trafficking and the on-going impact of Covid-19

#### Book here:

Ongoing and future challenges faced by survivors due to COVID-19 Tickets, Thu 18 Mar 2021 at 14:00 | Eventbrite

#### **National Centre for Domestic Violence:**

The latest on-line magazine can be found by visiting - NCDV - Magazine

### **Other Updates:**

- **'White Ribbon' Campaign 202/21**. Reserve the Date for the 2021/22 event: 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
- Check out Standing Together Against Domestic Violence's In Search of Excellence Report: An (Updated) Guide To Effective Domestic Violence Partnerships and the Coordinated Community Response
  - Further information can be found here: In Search of Excellence Standing Together
- We are developing a ByStander Programme as part of the Domestic Abuse Steering
  Executive's key areas of work. We would like you involvement in this. Please send details of volunteers to Gerry Campbell <a href="mailto:gcampbell1@hillingdon.gov.uk">gcampbell1@hillingdon.gov.uk</a>

#### **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: <a href="mailto:hidvas@hillingdon.gov.uk">hidvas@hillingdon.gov.uk</a> and <a href="mailto:sstewart@hillingdon.gov.uk">sstewart@hillingdon.gov.uk</a> Tel: 07874620954

The DA MARAC will operate remotely every 2 weeks. Referrals can be made to Tim Moriarty — timothy.moriarty@met.pnn.police.uk Tel: 0208 2461798

# Our ASK

# Please:

- Do let us know if your Organisation / Agency is receiving an increase in referrals of DA cases.
- ii) Provide us with any information or resources you think maybe useful.
- iii) Please let us know if you are interested in free online training. What specific subject areas in tackling domestic abuse are you interested in.

The Stakeholders' Briefings can be found in the Council's website DA Pages accessed via <a href="https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/abuse">https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/abuse</a> In the left side of the screen there is a section marked Stakeholder Briefing, click on the link and you will go to the current and previous briefings.

Please send your updates or comments to <a href="mailto:gcampbell1@hillingdon.gov.uk">gcampbell1@hillingdon.gov.uk</a>

The next briefing will be provided in April 2021.

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