**WBCIR:18414**

We are requesting information regarding your services for survivors of domestic violence and abuse. The request aims to **gain a full picture of all the domestic abuse services funded by your local authority** and what form this funding takes.

We have formatted this request as a table to make it clear what information we are asking for and have provided a list of definitions to support with completing the request.

This Freedom of Information request should be completed directly by the local authority and not referred to another organisation to complete.

**Definitions:**

* **Refuge/safe accommodation:** Accommodation and support provided for survivors experiencing domestic abuse. Accommodation can be in any or all of shared, self-contained, or dispersed housing.
* **Non-refuge/community-based services:** Services for survivors of domestic abuse provided separately from accommodation services. This may include floating support, outreach, IDVA/DAPA projects, formal domestic abuse counselling, group work programmes/support groups, helpline services, drop-in services, prevention and awareness work etc.
* **In-house services:** Services delivered directly by staff employed by the local authority and not contracted to another organisation.
* **Commissioned funding:** Funding secured through a competitive tender process.
* **Grant funding:** A sum of money provided under a Grant Funding Agreement, where applicants must meet the conditions of a fund.

**Q1. Refuge/safe accommodation services**

Please fill out this table with information about **all** the **refuge and/or safe accommodation** services for survivors of domestic abuse that your local authority funds in your area in 2024/25, including any refuge/safe accommodation services that are delivered in-house.

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| **Refuge/safe accommodation services** | | | | | | | |
| a. Which organisation/s do you currently fund to run refuge and/or safe accommodation in your area? | b. When did the current contract for this commissioned service **start**?  *(Month/Year)* | c. When does the current contract for this commissioned service **end**? *(Month/Year)* | d. How is the funding for this service delivered? Please mark as many options as relevant with an 'X'. | | | | e. If known, how many bedspaces for **adults** does your local authority fund this organisation to provide? |
| Commissioned funding | Grant funding | Service delivered in-house | Other (please specify) / Comments |
| *e.g. Avon Valley Domestic Abuse Service* | *e.g. May 2024* | *e.g. May 2027* | *X* | *X* |  | *e.g. mixture of contract and grant funding.* | *e.g. 12* |
| BWA (Berkshire Womens Aid) | April 2022 | March 2026 (potential for 2 x 1 year extension) | X |  |  |  | 3 |
| Home refuge (Sanctuary) scheme | Ongoing |  |  |  | X |  |  |

f. If there is any other information you would like to provide to clarify your answers to Q1 please tell us here:

Although we haven’t got an designated domestic abuse temporary or emergency accommodation currently, significant funding is used to place those fleeing domestic abuse into these types of accommodation.

**Q2. Non-refuge/community-based services:**

Please fill out this table with information about **any non-refuge/community-based services** for survivors of domestic abuse your local authority funds in your area in 2024/25, including any services delivered in-house. Please include details of any non-refuge/community-based services you fund which are provided by organisations already listed in Q1.

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| **Non-refuge/community-based services** | |
| a. What non-refuge/community-based services do you currently fund for survivors of domestic abuse in your area? | b. Which organisation/s currently hold/s this contract? |
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| *e.g. Domestic abuse outreach service and IDVA project* | *e.g. Avon Valley Domestic Abuse Service* |  |
| Domestic Abuse Support Service contract to include helpline, IDVA, outreach, group programmes, support for children and young people, perpetrator interventions, multi-agency training | Cranstoun |  |
| Specialist support for older victim-survivors of domestic abuse | Hourglass |  |
| Home refuge (Sanctuary) scheme  Domestic Abuse Coordinator  Domestic Abuse Housing Specialist  Domestic Abuse Children’s Services Specialist |  |  |
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