

Specialist Domestic Violence Courts – The Way Forward
A Celebration and Consultation Event – 9 December

Feedback from the Event

Thirty feedback forms were received and have been evaluated to give the following results:

1. The Event has given you more information on the Lancashire Domestic Violence Partnership's SDVC Programme

Strongly Agree	24 attendees strongly agreed	80%
Tend to Agree	6 attendees tended to agree	20%
Neither	0	
Tend to Disagree	0	
Strongly Disagree	0	

The event made you think about the issues of domestic violence

Strongly Agree	19 attendees strongly agreed	63%
Tend to Agree	11 attendees tended to agree	37%
Neither	0	
Tend to Disagree	0	
Strongly Disagree	0	

Is this a good way of raising the profile of the issues amongst people in Lancashire

Strongly Agree	20 attendees strongly agreed	67%
Tend to Agree	8 attendees tended to agree	27%
Neither	1 attendee neither agreed/disagreed	3%
Tend to Disagree	1 attendee tended to disagree	3%
Strongly Disagree	0	

2. Will you use the information you have learnt today in your role?

Yes	29 attendees answered yes	97%
No	0	
Don't Know	1 attendee didn't know	3%

3. Comments from the Day

Positive General Comments

- ❖ Enjoyable
- ❖ Excellent day
- ❖ Increased awareness/very informative day
- ❖ Good venue/refreshments
- ❖ Well planned and delivered event
- ❖ Good networking event
- ❖ Interesting speakers
- ❖ Thought provoking
- ❖ Very good mix of presentations and interactive sessions

Other more specific comments

- ❖ More joint working with statutory and voluntary agencies to support low and medium risk victims and their children
- ❖ Support for funding for organisations to continue supporting all victims of violence
- ❖ More thought should be given to support perpetrators before they become violent. Voluntary offender/perpetrator programmes need to be developed. Information on successes/failures on the perpetrator programme
- ❖ More focus on impact upon children
- ❖ Future funding for IDVA needs urgently addressing
- ❖ More Health Visitors need to attend events like this as 'front line' professionals
- ❖ Prevention agenda needs addressing through education and highlighting the ABC type programmes in schools
- ❖ Communication with CIS and Courts/CPS
- ❖ More discussion on the non-court, non-statutory responses to DVA situation inc. voluntary referral, medium/standard risk cases, partnerships between agencies
- ❖ Although predominantly male partner seen as perpetrator there was no mention at the event that women are also violent to men
- ❖ Question was raised as to how can we involve substance misuse services given the high statistics for substance misuse in victims and perpetrators