

**Lancashire Domestic Violence Strategy
Second Year Action Plan 2008/09**

(N.B. All numbered points relate to relevant sections in Lancashire Domestic Violence Strategy)

Priority	Key Intervention	Action(s)	Lead Person/Agency & Partners	Progress Report
8.1. Awareness raising and training	8.1.1 Employer responses: guidelines, policy and training.	Work with Respect ⁱ and Refuge ⁱⁱ to pilot an employer response to DV.	LDVSC, LCC.	Funding obtained and manual drafted. Project start Jan 09. Will extend into 09/10.
	8.1.2 Awareness raising and practical training sessions for staff at all levels. (Also includes: 8.4.3 Risk and safety interventions. 8.4.4 Information sharing c) MARAC.)	As above. Establish LDVP training project. Develop awareness raising training package on extra issues for women from BME communities (inc FM and SCHBV) Prioritize training delivery to schools, further education establishments, and places of worship, community groups and key agencies.	LDVSC, LCC. PWR, Training Subgroup. LC (Justin Srivastava), PWR. Training Subgroup	As above. No funding to progress this project as expected from GONW. Draft package in progress due to go out to consultation. Refer to education pack section and below action.

		Build up a pool of trainers to deliver training in languages other than English prioritising Urdu, Gujarati, Bangladeshi, Polish, Arabic.	Training Subgroup, FM and SCHBV Subgroup	In progress.
	8.1.3 Prevention work in schools.	Roll-out pilot scheme - Lancashire education pack and associated training.	LCC DCYP (Sally Allen - tbc)	Draft pack and guidance completed. Will extend into 09/10. Launch guidance in April 2009. Blackpool – guidance, will deliver sessions. Blackburn – piloted sessions, will roll out to all 2ndary 2009/10.
	8.1.4 Community awareness raising.	Develop and/or distribute publicity materials e.g. posters, leaflets etc in a variety of languages.	NPSL - Ian Phillips to link in with LCJB Communications subgroup, FM and SCHBV subgroup	FM and SCHBV distributed by Police (and DCFS in schools). Paper gone to LCJB re. training and publicity. Blackpool – LGBT champion. Blackburn – event.
8.2. Identifying & pooling resources	8.2.1 Provision of advocates or independent domestic violence advisers (IDVAs).	Task and finish group to look at Lancashire funding plan for IDVAs.	BDDWA, BWRA (tbc), DV Voluntary sector	Group not set up – revisit.

	2.3 Sustainable or mainstream funding for specialist services.			
8.3. Provision of specialist services and interventions	8.3.1 Support for survivors.	Finalise victims and witnesses protocol, should include co-ordination of support for low and medium risk cases going through the Criminal Justice System. Assess pilot of Sals Place referral process from Police to support services. Consider roll-out/adapting if successful.	Libby Reed, LDVSC LC, LDVSC	Out for consultation, needs finalising. Underway. Victim Support also piloting project in Central and SW Lancs.
	8.3.2 Groupwork with women. 8.3.3 Interventions for children and young people. 8.3.4 Mother/child relationship.	Consider roll-out pilot scheme for groupwork pilot funded for West Lancs, Chorley and South Ribble. Work on parenting and domestic violence.	Surestart, Early Years and Childcare service (LCC area) BBDWA	SEYC are starting gradual roll-out across LCC area. Blackpool to consider adopting model – meeting to be set up. No update on this.
8.4. Co-ordinating an inter-agency response	8.4.2 Accountability and safety audits.	Find funding for and run pilot.	LDVSC	Underway in Preston – will extend into 09/10.
	8.4.4 Information sharing	Develop baseline - NI 32.	LC (Justin Srivastava)	Done – Jan – Dec 09.

	c) MARACs.	<p>Develop Reflect, Review and Reform subgroup reporting to LDAF/LDVP.</p> <p>Pilot CAADA risk assessment linked to extended family violence including honour based violence, and stalking to be fed into the MARAC process.</p>	<p>As above</p> <p>BBDWA/Blackpool MARAC</p>	<p>MARAC steering group meeting.</p> <p>Pilots completed in both areas. CAADA now rolling out new risk assessment.</p>
	8.4.5 Specialist Domestic Violence Courts and Co-ordinated Community response.	<p>Work with partners in Wyre to get Fleetwood SDVC to National Standard.</p> <p>Improve Lancashire responses with regard to equality and diversity.</p> <p>Stand alone action plan on forced marriage and so-called honour based violence issues to link into work of LDVP.</p>	<p>WBC/FCWR</p> <p>CPS – Vivien Mumford, SDVC PMB</p> <p>LC (Justin Srivastava), FM/SCHBV subgroup</p>	<p>Attended interview with National Steering Group. Awaiting outcome. Directory drafted.</p> <p>In progress.</p>
9. Implementation and monitoring	N/A but also relates to above priority.	Performance monitor SDVC/MARAC and CCR to national data set.	MADE LDVSC funders group, SDVC PMB and LOGs.	In progress.
	N/A	Continue to increase	MADE, LDVP, LDAF.	May be able to

		<p>sources of data collection to add to above data set.</p> <p>Record and separate out following categories of DV data where possible: so called 'honour based violence', female genital mutilation (FGM) and forced marriage.</p>	<p>As above</p>	<p>access Supporting People data from LCC, B and BwD areas.</p> <p>No data available on children and young people – LCC, B and BwD areas to continue to work on providing this.</p> <p>FM and SCHBV group looking at this.</p>
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Glossary

BDDWA – Blackburn with Darwen and District Women's Aid

BWRA – Burnley Women's Refuge Association

CCR – Co-ordinated Community Response

CPS – Crown Prosecution Service

DCYP – Directorate for children and young people

DV – domestic violence

FM – forced marriage

IDVAs – Independent Domestic Violence Advisers

SCHBV – so-called honour based violence

MADE – Multi-Agency Data Exchange

MARACs – Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences

LC – Lancashire Constabulary

LCC – Lancashire County Council

LDAF – Lancashire Domestic Abuse Forum

LDVP – Lancashire Domestic Violence Partnership

LDVSC – Lancashire Domestic Violence Co-ordinator

NPSL – National Probation Service in Lancashire

PWR – Preston Women's Refuge

SDVC – Specialist Domestic Violence Courts

SDVC PMB and LOG – Project Management Board (Lancashire-Wide) and Local Operational Groups

ⁱ Respect is the UK membership association for domestic violence perpetrator programmes and associated support services. Their key focus is on increasing the safety of those experiencing domestic violence through promoting effective interventions with perpetrators. Also host: the Respect Phoneline for those concerned about perpetrators or their own behaviour; MALE, Men's Advice Line for men experiencing domestic violence. Website – www.respect.uk.net

ⁱⁱ Refuge is one of the 2 national charities for women and children experiencing domestic violence. Member organisations offer services such as refuge accommodation, outreach and associated support for women and children. They also run the freephone 24 hr national domestic violence helpline in partnership with Women's Aid. Website - www.refuge.org.uk