



## **Domestic abuse and general support during Coronavirus/Covid-19 outbreak – newsletter #33 23-06-20**

Hello all, latest news and information from the domestic and sexual abuse sector attached and below. If you have any information about your service you would like us to share please get in touch. Thanks, Steve

**Women's Aid** - The impact of Covid-19 and lockdown from a survivor's perspective -

<https://www.womensaid.org.uk/the-impact-of-covid-19-and-lockdown-from-a-survivors-perspective/>

**Surviving Economic Abuse Resources** – includes specific Covid-19 resources and latest rental info here

<https://survivingeconomicabuse.org/resources/>

**Msc Research request** – see information below from an Msc student studying at University of Cumbria who is looking for research participants for interview.

**Domestic Abuse Bill 2020** – the bill has just had its second reading in parliament and is awaiting a date for the third reading. You can find out about the various stages etc here <https://services.parliament.uk/bills/2019-21/domesticabuse.html>

There are some Domestic Abuse Bill factsheets here <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/domestic-abuse-bill-2020-factsheets>

Views from the sector about the Bill – Women's Aid here <https://www.womensaid.org.uk/what-we-do/campaigning-and-influencing/campaign-with-us/domestic-abuse-bill/>

Safe Lives here [https://safelives.org.uk/domestic\\_abuse\\_bill](https://safelives.org.uk/domestic_abuse_bill)

**LGBT+ and domestic abuse factsheets** – see factsheets on various issues relating to domestic abuse and LGBT+ from Galop, online here <http://www.galop.org.uk/factsheets/>

**Latest news articles** - Content Note: some of these articles include a detailed discussion of physical, mental and sexual abuse, please be mindful of your own triggers, safety and feelings.

1. UK domestic abuse commissioner calls on 'critical' housing providers to help survivors post-lockdown - <https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/domestic-abuse-commissioner-housing-coronavirus-lockdown-a4467786.html>
2. Sister of woman murdered by ex-boyfriend urges government to include strangulation in domestic abuse bill - <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/domestic-abuse-bill-strangulation-murder-women-anne-marie-nield-a9569501.html>
3. BME domestic abuse charity sees highest volume of calls for help in 40-year history during lockdown - <https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/bme-domestic-abuse-charity-sees-highest-volume-of-calls-for-help-in-40year-history-during-lockdown-a4470791.html>
4. Police take too much data from victims' phones, says watchdog - <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2020/jun/18/police-in-england-and-wales-taking-excessive-personal-data-from-mobile-phones>
5. "He has ongoing, indefinite power to destroy our lives." Why the Domestic Abuse Bill must not forget victims of post-separation control - <https://survivingeconomicabuse.org/he-has-ongoing-indefinite-power-to-destroy-our-lives-why-the-domestic-abuse-bill-must-not-forget-victims-of-post-separation-control/>

**Online domestic abuse training** – Cumbria Safeguarding Children Partnership still has a range of excellent online training, including domestic abuse training at

<https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/LSCB/training/domesticabuselearningevents.asp>

**Cumbria Domestic Abuse Champions' Network social media** – you can follow Cumbria Domestic Abuse Champions' Network on social media for regular posts/updates. On Twitter [@AbuseCumbria](#) and on [Facebook](#) [@CumbriaDomesticAbuseChampionsNetwork](#)

**Champions' Network newsletters** - You can find all the previous copies of these newsletters in PDF format at <http://www.womenscommunitymatters.org/cumbria-domestic-champions/> just in case you lose/misplace any info.

Kind regards, Steve

My name is Kylie Wilson and I am an MSc student currently studying Legal and Criminological Psychology at the University of Cumbria.

I am about to undertake research that explores the impact of experiencing Intimate Partner Violence on Identity. I am looking to speak with anyone over the age of 18 who has experienced abuse in an intimate relationship and who would feel able to discuss their experiences in an interview. Due to the current pandemic interviews would be conducted over the phone or via skype, whichever is preferred by the participant. The interview will last approximately 1 hour and in order to safeguard participants, you must no longer be in an abusive relationship.

If you would like more information, please contact me at [s1502756@uni.cumbria.ac.uk](mailto:s1502756@uni.cumbria.ac.uk) and I will send you more detailed information and answer any questions you may have. If you then decide you would like to take part, a date and time that suits you will be arranged.

Thank you

Kylie Wilson

**DOMESTIC**  
 **ABUSE**  
is NEVER ok

**If you are concerned about someone please report it and help end the abuse.**

**TO REPORT:**

In an emergency call 999  
Call 101 or report online at  
[www.cumbria.police.uk](http://www.cumbria.police.uk)

