



Information update re: domestic and sexual abuse and other support services #36 20-07-20

Hello all, hope everyone is keeping well. Please find latest info and news below and attached. If you have anything you want sharing please just send it in.

Content Note: some of the articles and information in this newsletter may include detailed discussion of physical, emotional and sexual abuse, please be mindful of your own triggers, safety and feelings – take care.

Surviving Economic Abuse Survey - Economic safety needs of current victim-survivors of economic abuse in the context of coronavirus. This questionnaire explores the economic safety needs of victim-survivors who are currently experiencing economic abuse from a current or former intimate partner during the coronavirus outbreak in the UK. It is run by UK charity Surviving Economic Abuse (SEA). We are looking for responses from both victim-survivors and frontline professionals who support them. Your safety and wellbeing is vital. Only complete the questionnaire if you feel safe to. See here for more

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FGVQH52>

Karma Nirvana – Honour Based Violence Helpline – Karma Nirvana is a national charity supporting victims of honour based violence and forced marriage for 25 years. They have a Helpline 0800 5999 247 Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm. If you are in immediate danger always call 999. For further info email info@karmanirvana.org.uk or visit the website at <https://karmanirvana.org.uk/> See some social media images below. You can follow Karma Nirvana on Twitter @KNFMHBV and Facebook www.facebook.com/karmanirvanauk

BBC Podcast – Radio 1's Life Hack Podcast – What effect has lockdown had on domestic abuse? At <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/p08kqpkm>

Latest news and articles relating to domestic and sexual abuse

1. Make threatening to post revenge porn a crime, campaigners urge - <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/revenge-porn-domestic-abuse-bill-sexual-photos-a9603626.html>
2. "My abusive ex threatened to post my intimate photos online – and it's still not a crime" - <https://www.cosmopolitan.com/uk/reports/a33324714/intimate-photo-sharing-without-consent/>
3. We are facing the 'decriminalisation of rape', warns victims' commissioner - <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/jul/14/we-are-facing-the-decriminalisation-of-warns-victims-commissioner>
4. Jessica Patel murder: Middlesbrough review finds signs of abuse - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-tees-53389877>
5. I help women escape their abusers – lockdown has made my job so much harder - <https://metro.co.uk/2020/07/10/domestic-abuse-impact-lockdown-12958760/?ito=cbshare>
6. Hidden victims of lockdown: Evening Standard investigation reveals plight of thousands of domestic abuse victims - <https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/hidden-victims-lockdown-abuse-a4493471.html>
7. Lockdown Ended My Relationship With My Gaslighting Boyfriend - <https://www.refinery29.com/en-gb/lockdown-breakup>
8. 'More and more' victims dropping out of prosecutions as court backlog mounts during coronavirus - <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/coronavirus-uk-court-case-backlog-victims-dame-vera-baird-a9616891.html>

9. Domestic abuse calls to London police rise by a tenth during lockdown - https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/jul/15/domestic-abuse-calls-to-london-police-rise-by-a-tenth-during-lockdown?CMP=share_btn_tw
10. Large housing association to offer paid leave to people experiencing domestic abuse - <https://www.insidehousing.co.uk/home/home/large-housing-association-to-offer-paid-leave-to-people-experiencing-domestic-abuse-67167>
11. How paid leave from employers could overhaul domestic abuse victims' lives - <https://www.independent.co.uk/independentpremium/news-analysis/domestic-abuse-lives-uk-paid-leave-employer-a9618866.html>

Consent is everything – see website at www.consentiseverything.com also see social media image below.

Barnardo's - See, Hear, Respond – there is a new service for young people being offered by Barnardo's across England, "In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Barnardo's, in partnership with The Department for Education (DfE), will be delivering a new and innovative programme across England that co-ordinates a dynamic sector response." Referral here www.barnardos.org.uk/see-hear-respond or to find out more contact Kate Goodwin, email - Kate.goodwin@barnardos.org.uk phone - 07876 190420.

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](https://twitter.com/AbuseCumbria) and on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CumbriaDomesticAbuseChampionsNetwork) @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



You can Help

Do you think 'culture' and 'religion' confuses honour-based abuse?

Remember, honour-based abuse is a safeguarding matter. Forced Marriage is illegal.

Helpline: 0800 5 999 247 | support@karmanirvana.org.uk



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YESTERDAY
DOESN'T
MEAN YES
TODAY.

SEX WITHOUT CONSENT IS RAPE.

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