



Champions' Network - Domestic and sexual abuse newsletter #52 25-05-21

Hello all – hope you are all keeping safe and well. Please find latest information below and attached. **If you have any information or updates you would like us to share please send them 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 and of those with whom you might share some of this content – take care.

Local Job Vacancies

Women's Community Matters, Barrow – see 3 job vacancies here
<http://www.womenscommunitymatters.org/job-vacancy-at-womens-community-matters/> Closing date 28 May 2021.

Women Out West, Whitehaven – see job vacancies for Women Out West here
<https://womenoutwest.co.uk/vacancies/>. Closing date 31 May 2021.

Copeland Borough Council – see x2 documents attached for info re: Specialist Crisis Prevention and Support Officers vacancies. Closing date 4 June 2021. More here - <https://sector1.net/job/specialist-crisis-prevention-and-support-officer/157159/whitehaven/housing>

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 – the Bill is now an act of parliament, full copy of the Act available here <https://bills.parliament.uk/bills/2709> and more information available here <https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/2021/04/29/domesticabuseactfactsheet/>

Domestic Abuse Commissioner – Nicole Jacobs was appointed in 2019 as the first designate Domestic Abuse Commissioner for England and Wales. New website here <https://domesticabusecommissioner.uk/>

Women's Aid – Love should not hurt video; featuring Mel B. A moving portrayal of both physical violence and coercive control, including spying, isolation from friends and family and denying access to money. Inspired by real-life stories of survivors. **TRIGGER WARNING: contains scenes of domestic violence that some viewers may find distressing.**

<https://www.womensaid.org.uk/what-we-do/education-and-public-awareness/love-should-not-hurt/>

Good Guys Guide - <https://goodguysguide.co.uk/>

In the news ...

1. Disability and domestic abuse: 'No-one knows what is happening behind those walls' - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/disability-56197682>
2. Mel B on domestic abuse, trauma and recovery: in my mind there was no way out - <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2021/may/17/mel-b-on-domestic-abuse-trauma-and-recovery-in-my-mind-there-was-no-way-out>
3. Ninety-nine men arrested in 'crackdown' on violence against women but Met 'must protect women everyday' - <https://www.mylondon.news/news/zone-1-news/ninety-nine-men-arrested-crackdown-20602548>
4. A Fearless Future: join Stylist's campaign to change the attitudes behind male violence against women and girls - <https://www.stylist.co.uk/health/women/fearless-future-campaign/520763>
5. Women being arrested and criminalised after reporting violence and abuse, say MPs - <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/women-pointless-arrests-criminal-justice-system-b1848981.html>
6. A Fearless Future: how to email your local MP about challenging the attitudes behind male violence against women - <https://www.stylist.co.uk/health/women/template-email-mp-violence-against-women/520969>
7. Domestic abuse after lockdown: controlled, confined and cut off - <https://www.gq-magazine.co.uk/gq-hype/article/domestic-abuse-lockdown>
8. Domestic abuse survivor was sacked after husband locked her up - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-57171890>

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