



Champions' Network - Domestic and sexual abuse newsletter #54 21-07-21

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.

Turning the Spotlight, Cumbria – high-risk perpetrator programme

Local agency Turning the Spotlight have now started a high-risk perpetrator programme. Further info and referral form available from Victim Support, Kendal Police Station, Bushier Walk, Kendal, Lancashire LA9 4RJ, Laraine.Carr@victimsupport.org.uk. Website info here [Turning the Spotlight - Victim Support](#)

DRIVE – Survivor views on perpetrator work survey

The Drive Partnership believe domestic abuse is not acceptable or inevitable. We are made up of three organisations: Respect, Safe Lives and Social Finance. We want to see changes in England and Wales so that perpetrators can no longer get away with abusive behaviour and can access the help they need to stop causing harm, so that victims and survivors are safer. The survey is open to people who are currently or have previously experienced domestic abuse in England and Wales and are over the age of 18.

<https://wh1.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=162634590295>

Surviving Economic Abuse – e-learning

Below is the link to very short e-learning re: economic abuse

[E-learning - Surviving Economic Abuse](#) Watch the short video below and answer the multiple-choice questions to test your learning.

Safe Lives - Your Best Friend survey

Young people experience abusive relationships too often but lack support. Please complete this short survey for Safe Lives (more here [Your Best Friend | Safelives](#)). The aim is to help young women, girls and non-binary people aged 13-24 navigate toxic relationships. Survey here [Your Best Friend Survey \(smartsurvey.co.uk\)](#)

In the news ...

1. [As pandemic eases, fatal gender violence worsens in Europe \(yahoo.com\)](#)
2. [Epidemic of violence against women under way in England and Wales – report | Crime | The Guardian](#)
3. Stalking rises during Covid pandemic – police - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-57407353>
4. [Family courts inflict a form of state-sanctioned abuse on adults and children – the government can no longer claim ignorance | The Independent](#)
5. [Violence against women: Top police role to be announced - BBC News](#)
6. [Top police officer to be put in charge of tackling violence against women and girls | ITV News](#)
7. [Public street harassment could be made illegal in England and Wales | Sexual harassment | The Guardian](#)
8. [UK home secretary outlines steps to tackle violence against females | Reuters](#)
9. [Government to announce plans to tackle violence against women and girls including 24/7 rape and assault helpline | UK News | Sky News](#)

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](#)

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Kind regards, Steve