



Cumbria Domestic Abuse Champions' Network newsletter #72 04-01-23

Hello all – hope you are all keeping safe and well and had a good break over the festive period. Please find latest information below and attached. If you have any information or updates you would like to share please send them in. **Wishing you all the best for the new year.**

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.

FREE Domestic Abuse Champions' Training – Barrow 23rd Jan 2023 and Carlisle 27th January 2023

All welcome – please circulate around your colleagues, friends, and wider networks. Thank you. **Some spaces still available.**

Children as victims – CPS guidance updated

The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) has updated its guidance to reflect the change in the law, which states that children affected by domestic abuse will be automatically treated as victims, regardless of whether they were present during violent incidents. [Children classed as domestic abuse victims under new guidance | The Crown Prosecution Service \(cps.gov.uk\)](#)

Children are often present during non-fatal strangulation, CPS analysis shows

The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) has published an analysis of a sample of non-fatal strangulation cases in the UK, which shows that a child was present in 38% of cases. [Children are often present during non-fatal strangulation, CPS analysis shows | The Crown Prosecution Service](#)

TSB bolsters support for domestic abuse victims by introducing an 'Emergency Flee Fund' with support payments of £50 to £500

[TSB launches 'Emergency Flee Fund' for domestic abuse victims, as Hestia reports rising demand for help](#)

How to be an ally to a loved one experiencing domestic violence

You can download the guide here [HOW TO BE AN ALLY TO A LOVED ONE EXPERIENCING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - Safe & Together Institute \(safeandtogetherinstitute.com\)](https://www.safeandtogetherinstitute.com/guide)

In the news ...

[‘Still living in fear’: Domestic abuse survivors on wait for justice | Metro News](https://www.metro.co.uk/news/technology/63880969)

<https://news.sky.com/story/apple-sued-as-women-claim-airtag-device-allowed-ex-boyfriends-to-track-them-down-12763126>

<https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-63880969>

[Coercive control: False abuse claims used to abuse men, says charity - BBC News](https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-63880969)

[New Love Island contestants will be trained to spot controlling and coercive behaviour - OK! Magazine](https://www.okmagazine.co.uk/news/love-island/love-island-contestants-will-be-trained-to-spot-controlling-and-coercive-behaviour-20230901)

[I’m a barrister and I know the law doesn’t protect women and girls – it needs to change in five areas | The Independent](https://www.the-independent.com/news/uk/immigration/asylum-seekers-law-doesnt-protect-women-girls-it-needs-to-change-in-five-areas-b1100001.html)

[‘You rubbed your body against his’: Transcript of rape victim’s ‘brutal’ cross-examination in court | The Independent](https://www.the-independent.com/news/uk/immigration/asylum-seekers-law-doesnt-protect-women-girls-it-needs-to-change-in-five-areas-b1100001.html)

Book of the month

[Domestic Violence Against Men and Boys: Experiences of Male Victims of \(routledge.com\)](https://www.routledge.com/9781138000000)

Quote of the month

"Nothing can make our lives, or the lives of other people, more beautiful than perpetual kindness." Tolstoy

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](https://www.facebook.com/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