**Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse Strategy**

**Core and Enhanced Offer**

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 brought a statutory duty on Local Authorities around safe accommodation for victims of domestic abuse. Part of this statutory duty was the requirement to undertake a needs assessment, which was completed in 2021, with the requirement to then develop a strategy to meet identified need. The strategy and needs assessments can be found at [Welcome to Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership (cambsdasv.org.uk)](https://www.cambsdasv.org.uk/website/strategic_documents/380451)

As resources do not always match the aspiration of any strategy the below sets out what the partnership have agreed should be the absolute core offer across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. All other provision is categorised as an ‘enhanced’ offer and resourced if funding is available. This model sets a clear partnership framework which allows the county to contract and flex to an agreed minimum offer based on resources available. Importantly it ensures all victims of domestic abuse have access to a support offer whether they have reported a crime to the police or not.

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| Strategic Aim | Core Offer | Enhanced Offer – Currently funded | Enhanced Offer – with additional resource |
| Working to prevent people becoming offenders of domestic abuse and reducing victimisation by challenging the attitudes and behaviours which foster it. | * Communication and awareness raising materials
* Social Media campaigns
* Framework and support for Relationship and Sex education in schools
* Support for schools to access relevant services/signpost
* Parenting programmes
 | * Reducing Parental conflict programmes
* Community ambassadors scheme and training
* White Ribbon accreditation
* Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance accreditation for housing associations and providers
 | * Work with target communities to raise awareness of domestic abuse
* Support employers to develop workplace domestic abuse policies
* Healthy relationship programmes for schools
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| Reducing the risk to victims and intervening to prevent it from continuing, recurring or escalating. | * DASV professionals champions sessions
* Workforce training offer through Safeguarding Board and individual services
* Target hardening to keep victims safe in their own homes
* Health IDVAs working across hospitals.
* Young People’s IDVAs
* Implementation of DHR recommendations
* Operation Encompass reporting of police incidents to schools
* Access to online domestic abuse group programmes
* Children’s refuge worksrs
 | * Additional Young People’s IDVAs to link with schools and youth groups
* Flexible funding
* Managed reciprocal housing scheme
* Mobile advocacy
* Implementation and embedding of routine enquiry within health
* Group work programmes
* Family Safeguarding model within Children’s Social care
* Centralised DHR Process
* Additional Health IDVAs who will work with community health settings
* Housing IDVAs
* Child to Parent Abuse Advisers
* Programmes for delivery in schools
* Specialist support for those with multiple and complex needs, particularly rough sleepers
* Therapeutic Support for victims
 | * Bespoke group programmes for victims of domestic abuse.
* Bespoke support for sex workers.
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| Perpetrators are appropriately pursued and challenged. | * Domestic Abuse Perpetrator panel
* Accredited programmes through Probation
* Specialist Domestic Abuse Court and best practice implementation plan
* Use of out of court disposals for family related violence
 | * CARA type programmes
* Extended cohort of offenders in Healthy Relationships Probation programme
* Access into Probation run programmes for domestic abuse perpetrators
* Perpetrator workers and programme within family safeguarding model.
* Multi-agency Stalking Intervention Programme
* Programmes through out of court disposal
* Child to Parent Abuse Programmes
 | * Additional Perpetrator programmes
* Therapeutic interventions for children exhibiting abusive behaviours towards parents.
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| Through a joint commissioning approach we will ensure all victims have access to appropriate and proportionate outcome-focused support. | Access to support services for all victims of domestic abuse* IDVA Service working with high-risk victims of domestic abuse
* MARAC meetings to discuss high-risk victims of domestic abuse
* IDVA Service responding to notifications of medium risk DA crimes
* A8 IDVAs working with victims from A8 Eastern European communities
* Refuge provision across the county
* Victim and Witness Hub support to all victims of crime, including standard risk domestic abuse
* Victim Liaison Officers within Probation
* Specialist Victim Care Co-ordinators for young victims supporting the children of DA victims
* A range of online support including Cambs Victims Services and DASV Partnership and provider websites offering advice and guidance
* National Domestic Abuse helpline
* Bright Sky app
 | * Mobile advocacy support for all victims of domestic abuse
* Dispersed accommodation for those unable to access refuge and/or other housing options.
* Counselling for children who have experienced domestic abuse
* Additional specialist IDVAs
* Support for victims to obtain civil orders
 | * Move On accommodation for those needing to move on from refuge but still needing some support
* Enhance witness/victim care based with criminal court settings
* Support for victims attending specialist DA court and/or family court
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