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Appendix A: Action Plan

Quarterly updates to WSCSP

Scope of Recommendation	Action to be taken	Outcome	Lead Agency	Target date	Progress	Agency response to recommendations and outcomes	Date of completion
Local, County, regional or national level?	How relevant agency will make this recommendation happen? What actions need to occur?	What difference will it make? How will the public know?		Date the recommendation/actions should be implemented by	Red Amber Green	Quarterly Updates	
<p>In addition to the Recommendations identified during this Review, some of the organisations that submitted IMRs made recommendations within those reports. These are set out here for information, as they were presented in the IMRs. These will be monitored as part of the action plan arising from the DHR alongside the DHR panel recommendations</p>							
<p>Recommendation 1 Suffolk Police</p>							
<p>1. Suffolk police's processes for information sharing have developed and evolved through operational practice. Suffolk police should undertake a process of work to ensure that their processes for information sharing and cross-border working with colleagues in Cambridgeshire are robust and operationally effective in relation to domestic abuse. They should provide assurance to the CSP within six months of this report being approved by WSCSP. They should conduct an annual review of these arrangements.</p>							
Local	To ensure compliance, to regularly audit domestic abuse cases through internal processes and DA scrutiny panels and in particular any cross border cases	The Constabulary is subject to HMICFRS inspection where these areas will be audited and reported on.	DCI Angus Moir, Crime, Safegua	By June 2022	Green	Update: Suffolk Constabulary have internal DA scrutiny panels in each of the three geographical policing commands. In addition, the	COMPLETE 01/11/2023

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	<p>Check MARAC High Risk cases for MARAC transfers through minutes and review</p>	<p>The external scrutiny panel has representation from a number of people from the voluntary sector adding to levels of accountability.</p>	<p>rding and Incident Management Suffolk Constabulary</p>		<p>Green</p>	<p>Constabulary has an external DA scrutiny panel, which examines cases which have resulted in a no further action decision by police. DA crimes are also form part of ongoing crime investigation audits to improve investigative standards.</p> <p>Cambridgeshire police have access to both Suffolk Constabularies Crime and intelligence through the shared Athena system. In addition, staff within Suffolk Constabularies DA and intelligence teams are aware that they should liaise with any other force area where there is an identified interest.</p> <p>A desktop review of MARAC in Suffolk has been undertaken and review of meeting minutes did not identify any cases relevant to this action.</p> <p>Update: The Constabulary has a continuous improvement plan in relation to Domestic Abuse with strategic oversight managed by Supt Cutler. This</p>	
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							includes ongoing audit, investigative standards and organisational provision.	
						Green	Update: Previous updates still relevant and MARAC restructure still to be decided.	

Recommendation 2

Suffolk Police

Positive action via arrest and the appropriate use of police bail could have provided protection by restricting the movement of Colin or preventing access to Carol or locations where the parties might encounter each other.

1. A programme of messaging across the Constabulary highlighting the positive action policy and ensuring that it is understood and implemented by all staff at all times.
 - a) DASH risk assessments. Ensure Officers check for previous DASH risk assessments and do not treat a domestic abuse incident in isolation. (104) **By September 2022**
 - b) DASH risk assessments. Ensure DASH risk assessments are consistent and timely including any DASH reviews. (234) **By September 2022**
 - c) DASH risk assessments. Suffolk Police are to undertake a process of work to ensure that their processes for information sharing in relation to DASH assessment outcomes and cross-border working with colleagues in Cambridgeshire are robust and operationally effective in relation to domestic abuse (240) (323) **By September 2022**
 - d) Safeguarding Referrals. Ensure Officers know to complete and submit Safeguarding Referrals in a timely manner if children are present during attendance for a domestic incident (161) **By June 2022**
 - e) Ensure Officers undertake all enquiries in accordance with regulations and procedure and all evidence is captured (mobile phone for download and analysis) and followed up in a timely manner. (233) **By June 2022**
 - f) Ensure all enquiries including speaking with independent witnesses (neighbours) and taking witness statements are followed up and in a timely manner. (205) **By June 2022**

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g) Ensure Officers collate evidence and complete intel reports in a consistent and timely manner and in accordance with regulations and procedure. By June 2022

Local	<p>Audit processes for reviewing safeguarding referrals MASH pick up from DA team where that hasn't happened and actions need to be taken.</p> <p>DA Continuous plan is in place and the voice of the child is detailed within the plan</p> <p>For Recommendations D,E and F Operation Investigate programme which seeks to improve investigative standards and this covers this work and is led by a Superintendent, Jeff Yaxley.</p>	<p>The Constabulary is subject to HMICFRS inspection where these areas will be audited and reported on.</p> <p>The external scrutiny panel has representation from a number of people from the voluntary sector adding to levels of accountability</p>	<p>DCI Angus Moir Crime, Safeguarding and Incident Management Suffolk Constabulary</p>	<p>See target date against each Recommendation</p>	<p>Green</p> <p>Amber for implementation of DARA</p>	<p>Update: The Constabulary has reviewed its strategic approach to DA and has a continuous improvement plan in place overseen by Supt Kerry Cutler who chairs a DA delivery board. The voice of the child is integral to the plan and reflected are impending legislative change.</p> <p>The need for positive action is enforced within the Constabulary. Supervisory oversight for circumstances where arrested are not undertaken and clear timescales for outstanding suspects to be dealt with and for additional resources to locate priority suspects are in place. This is evidenced through the Constabularies tasking and daily management processes.</p> <p>Suffolk Constabulary is undertaking a review of risk assessment processes undertaken in relation to DA. This includes the need to ensure</p>	<p>COMPLETE 01/11/2023</p>
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						<p>early detailed research of various systems to recognise the nature of previous reported incidents. DASH will be replaced with DARA in 2022 and will be completed electronically. These will be recorded onto the police Athena system and will be accessible to other police areas utilising Athena Cambridgeshire being one. At the current time Cambridgeshire do have access to all documents scanned and added to Athena.</p> <p>Audit processes are in place in relation to police MASH and include supervisor assessments and actions. Officer completion of referrals are documented within investigative plans and are audited as part of investigative audits, as are investigative actions utilising a minimum 8-point plan, which includes lines of enquiry such as media and witness actions. The Constabulary has clear processes for the capturing of digital evidence in line with National guidance and is subject to external audit.</p> <p>Operation Investigate is Suffolk Constabularies approach to</p>	
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						<p>improving investigative standards and is overseen by D/Supt Jeff Yaxley. Numbers of Intelligence reports submitted by officer level are monitored. This is not to duplicate information already recorded within Crime or vulnerability reports.</p> <p>Amber for implementation of DARA</p> <p>Update: DARA has yet to be formally introduced due to delays in developing the APP to host the risk assessment tool for frontline officers. The project board estimated implementation is now end of October 2022.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: DARA has been implemented within Suffolk Constabulary with training provided to staff. As a result of a review of Domestic Abuse, officers now complete a recorded summary of previous domestic abuse incidents and crimes, so there is a requirement to review past recorded incidents and risk assessments. Removing any concern over incidents being viewed in isolation.</p>
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					<p>Green Update: In addition to previous updates DARA has now in the main replaced DASH as the initial risk assessment used by first responders. The Domestic Abuse research document is a rolling log updated by responders which provides a chronology of domestic incidents and as such makes it easier to quickly assess previous domestic incidents. As these documents are held upon Athena they will be accessible by Athena forces including Cambridgeshire. Children present at domestic incidents are engaged with and their information is recorded specifically under the Athena tab 'Voice of the Child'. Op Encompass referrals are made to education establishments when a child is encountered by police at domestic incidents. Officers are directed to consider evidence lead prosecution in domestic abuse cases and therefore supervisors ensure that lateral lines of criminal enquiries are followed such as 'hear say' evidence from</p>	
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						witnesses/neighbours, and Body Worn Video use at domestic incidents is mandated.	
<p>Recommendation 3 Cambridgeshire Police</p>							
<p>1. Cambridgeshire police's and processes for information sharing have developed and evolved through operational practice. Cambridgeshire police should undertake a process of work to ensure that their processes for information sharing and cross-border working with colleagues in Suffolk are robust and operationally effective in relation to domestic abuse. They should provide assurance to WSCSP within six months of this report being approved by WSCSP. They should conduct an annual review of these arrangements.</p>							
Local	<p>The Constabularies have sufficiently robust arrangements in place to ensure that cross-border information concerning DA/DV is communicated to the respective force's MASH through recognised channels. Other formalised arrangements are unlikely to enhance the current operational practice in place.</p> <p>National guidance issued by the College of Policing (CoP) and the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC) will be followed and local policy and practice in line with any emerging best practice and that nationally issued guidance is regularly reviewed against force policy.</p>	<p>That the constabulary continues to deliver a robust and public-facing policy and practice for victims of domestic abuse. Policy and practice are transparent and promoted through targeted campaigns and other initiatives.</p> <p>Safeguarding the vulnerable is a publicised force priority and forms part of the mission statement.</p>	DI Savill for PVPD Cambridgeshire Constabulary	By June 2022 then reviewed annually (June 2023)	Green	<p>Update: There are no formalised cross-border information sharing arrangements in terms of DA/DV with Suffolk however, the MASH regularly shares relevant DA/DV information via the Suffolk FCR for all medium and high-risk cases that have relevancy to the victim/perpetrator's home area and locations frequented for 'cross-border' information purposes. MARAC cross-border protocols are in place through the MASH process. Standard DASH risk assessments are not generally shared but key information may be shared on review by the MASH in exceptional circumstances and</p>	<p>COMPLETE 20/12/2022</p>

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						<p>professional judgement. In addition, all nominal information is accessible to all police forces via the Police National Database (PND) From May 2018, Suffolk/Norfolk have been linked to Cambs via the Athena operating system, so all updates are attached to the person record for the individual enabling a full search history to be viewed by either force or other forces utilising the same operating database.</p> <p>Notifications and allocations can be sent from one Incident Management Unit (IMU) to the other to ensure further investigations and there is less chance of failing to share relevant information as it is recorded within the same database.</p> <p>The Cambs MASH shares information to other police forces on a common-sense approach as well as Probation and other key partners.</p> <p>Established ISPs are in place with partnerships for relevant information sharing.</p>	
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					Green	Update: This remains as RAG status green with no changes to the MASH protocols since the last update in March 2023.	
					Green	Update: This remains as RAG status green with no changes to the MASH protocols since the last update in September 2023. Complete.	
<p>Recommendation 4 Cambridgeshire Police</p>							
<p>1. The Cambridgeshire Constabulary has taken a decisive step to ensure that front-line officers are given direct support and advice in respect of the issuing of DVPN's and applying for a DVPO where any such opportunities occur. This will be a default position underpinned by the recently formed 'Vulnerability Focus Desk' with effect from April 2021.</p> <p>a) All Domestic abuse reports will be quality assured to ensure that a DVPN has been considered.</p> <p>b) Where suspects for domestic abuse are not proceeded against or where the victim declines to support action, VFD staff will critically assess what other safeguarding actions may be taken and advise and guide the reporting officers accordingly through the application process where a DVPN is a realistic opportunity.</p>							
Local	<p>The current processes in place are robust and aligned to the force priority of safeguarding the most vulnerable.</p> <p>All DASH risk assessments are reviewed by a supervisory officer before submission to the MASH.</p>	<p>Early intervention support ensures that a robust process of evaluation and assessment of victim needs commences from the initial contact with victims.</p> <p>Provides victim confidence.</p>	DI Savill for PVPD Cambridge-shire Constabulary	By June 2022 then reviewed annually (June 2023)	Green	Update: In April and June 2021, two additional safeguarding functions were introduced in Cambridgeshire to support frontline decision making. The Early Intervention Domestic Abuse Desk (EIDAD) went live in June 2021. This function exists from the point the call is	COMPLETE 20/12/2022

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	<p>Additionally, officers can advise victims of alternative DA support through charitable organisations such as the NCDV for civil action in particular non-molestation orders.</p> <p>Dip sampling of cases to assess the robustness of current practice and identify any gaps in process are apparent.</p> <p>The number of DVPNs issued will vary month on month and should not be regarded as being a useful assessment figure based purely on the volume of applications made as domestically related incidents will fluctuate month on month.</p>	<p>The HMIC PEEL inspection programme is an assessment of the effectiveness, efficiency, and legitimacy of police forces in England and Wales. HMICFRS will assess how the force carries out its responsibilities (including cutting crime, protecting the vulnerable, tackling anti-social behaviour, and dealing with emergencies and other calls for service), how it provides value for money, and whether it operates fairly, ethically and within the law. The evidence collected during the inspection allows HMIC to make, and publish, graded judgements that highlight where the force is doing well and provide information about areas where it needs to improve.</p>			<p>Green</p>	<p>received by the FCR. When identified as a domestic abuse incident, the EIDAD will commence a research package which will involve identifying previous domestic related incidents, warning markers for parties at the address and any previous MARAC involvement. This information is then formulated into a research package which is then sent to the attending officer. Officers can also liaise with the research team directly from the scene. The purpose of the EIDAD is to improve frontline decision making by providing staff with as much information as possible to make informed decisions at the scene. This also builds in an additional layer of safeguarding from a dedicated team.</p> <p>Update: VFD and EIDAD functions are now well established across the Constabulary and continue to intervene at both the initial response and investigation phase. Interventions include research and the provision of a historical summary to response</p>	
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						<p>officers as well as scanning of the custody system throughout the day to identify DVPO and SPO opportunities. Officers are also able to approach the VFD for safeguarding advice bespoke to their investigation. VFD have also developed the 'Vulnerability Information Portal', a safeguarding application using the SharePoint technology, which is available on officers desktops and smart phones. The app provides safeguarding advice to staff and also includes trigger plans and child abduction warning notices for persistent and at risk missing persons and children.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: Above processes are now fully embedded and continue to add value to the safeguarding process.</p> <p>Complete.</p>	
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Recommendation 5
Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust

- a) All CPFT staff should complete a Datix if they have domestic abuse concerns disclosed to them by a service user.
- b) Staff should document safeguarding concerns on System 1/other relevant medical record in a detailed manner cross referencing the Datix report number.

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- c) Staff should have awareness that they can contact the Named Nurse for Safeguarding/CPFT Safeguarding team to raise and discuss domestic abuse concerns.
- d) Staff should have an awareness of and be able to complete a DASH assessment.
- e) Staff should be aware of Domestic Abuse (risk types of, how to recognise and support, sign posting etc).
- f) Staff should know how to refer to the MASH.
- g) Staff should be aware of consent-based referrals and when to override consent (public interest, threat to life & limb, risk to children etc).
- h) CPFT should provide regular up to date training in line with Trust policy.
- i) CPFT should provide regular one to one and group supervision for staff.

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Local	<p>Current review of organisations Datix system to ensure easy useability for staff and specialist review of reporting safeguarding and DA.</p> <p>The previous process for safeguarding and domestic abuse via Datix reporting included is being reviewed, as routine, by team managers and heads of service. Since November 2021 and implementation of the CPFT Think Family single point of access, and CPFT domestic abuse strategy, all Datix recording of safeguarding and domestic abuse is reviewed</p>	<p>What difference will it make?</p> <p>Datix now have a specialist lead who will provide written feedback on a standard template providing advice, guidance and support to the Datix reporter and those involved staff and Datix handler, ensuring best practice on domestic abuse. Contact with DA leads can be via telephone, virtual or face to face (within Covid guidelines). The completed template is uploaded into patient notes. The data on Datix reviews will be collected via Datix counting systems and through written feedback from reporters and handlers so that the</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By March 2022	Amber	<p>Update: CPFT Staff are prompted to make a Datix report through the following: Domestic abuse policies and procedures, promotional material circulated to all directorates and cascaded through service and team managers. In addition, guidance is delivered to individual teams by DA Leads and access through CPFT dedicated domestic abuse intranet page and through contacting specialist DA leads.</p>	<p>COMPLETE</p> <p>13/09/2022</p>
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	<p>and responded to by a safeguarding band 7 specialist lead within the Think Family Safeguarding team.</p> <p>Updated guidance on use of Datix for disclosures of domestic abuse (direct and indirect consequence) along with recorded training to be circulated to all staff.</p>	<p>domestic abuse leads involvement can be evaluated for improvement in overall response to DA through Datix.</p> <p>Data is collated on a 3 monthly basis and shared with the Think Family Safeguarding Team and the senior management board.</p> <p>How will the public know? This particular recommendation forms part of clinical practice.</p>	<p>Rachel Roberts on CPFT Safeguarding and DA Lead</p>		<p>Green</p>	<p>Examples of Trust wide DA promo material raising awareness of DA, which includes reference to Datix for reporting disclosures of DA.</p> <p>Update: There has been a large increase in the use of Datix for reporting incidents / disclosures of DA and safeguarding. This has become the routine referral pathway for safeguarding.</p> <p>Where general enquiry emails are sent by staff to CPFT safeguarding, staff are advice and given and action which include an action to record a Datix.</p> <p>All Datix which tick the 'Safeguarding' box, are reviewed and responded to by a band 7 senior member of the CPFT Safeguarding team. a response target of 48 hours is achieved on the majority of cases, (Excludes weekends and bank holidays)</p>	
<p>b) Staff should document safeguarding concerns on System 1/other relevant medical record in a detailed manner cross referencing the Datix report number</p>							

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Local	<p>All safeguarding and domestic abuse concerns are now recorded on the systmOne template. This was launched in early December 2021. Guidance on completion has also been circulated to staff</p> <p>Review of data of uptake after 6 months to establish if any further actions are required.</p> <p>How relevant agency will make this recommendation happen? Staff complete SystmOne as routine for clinical records. All enquires / contacts / referrals to Think Family Safeguarding are recorded on standard templates and uploaded into SystmOne. All Datix for safeguarding and domestic abuse are reviewed by safeguarding band 7 leads and advice/guidance and support is recorded and uploaded into patients notes on SystmOne. Quality of record keeping is reviewed during line management supervision, organisation audits and through CQC visits.</p> <p>What actions need to occur? Introduction of regular peer review for quality control of case</p>	<p>What difference will it make?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure contemporary records are stored securely 2. Aid information sharing/communication by the organisations system1 users and GP's. 3. Reduce risk where poor information sharing/communication or poor record keeping could be a factor <p>How will the public know? Record keeping will be a part of the safeguarding policies which will be published on the Internet in due course</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green	<p>Update: Staff complete SystmOne as routine for clinical records. All enquires / contacts / referrals to Think Family Safeguarding are recorded on standard templates and uploaded into SystmOne. All Datix for safeguarding and domestic abuse are reviewed by safeguarding band 7 leads and advice/guidance and support is recorded and uploaded into patients notes on SystmOne. Quality of record keeping is reviewed during line management supervision, organisation audits and through CQC visits.</p> <p>Update: Complete</p>	<p>Commenced 01/12/2021</p> <p>COMPLETE 13/09/2022</p>
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	recording within specialist think family safeguarding leads.						
<p>c) Staff should have awareness that they can contact the Named Nurse for Safeguarding/CPFT Safeguarding team [updated to Think Family Safeguarding Domestic Abuse Leads] to raise and discuss domestic abuse concerns.</p>							
Local	<p>From Sept 1st 2021 a WTE band 7 specialist safeguarding domestic abuse lead(s) joined the Think Family Safeguarding Team and the Domestic Abuse Strategy was launched within CPFT November the 18th 2021 with support by the Chief Exec during her live virtual talk to Trust staff.</p> <p>All adult safeguarding and domestic abuse concerns are now dealt with via a single point of contact managed by the Think Family safeguarding team.</p> <p>Continued programme of small and large team promo and awareness sessions.</p>	<p>What difference will it make? This is a new service but so far, the feedback indicates staff feel supported by the domestic abuse leads in their role to identify and report domestic abuse. They also feel that contacting the domestic abuse leads has improved their practice in terms of asking service users about domestic abuse as routine, safety plan, referrals, signposting, supervision and support. Feedback is collated 3 monthly and will be available in the next quarter.</p> <p>How will the public know? The DA strategy will be cited as part of the safeguarding policies – which will be made visible on the trust internet site.</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green	<p>Update: Contact details for the domestic abuse leads through the Think Family Safeguarding single point of access has been highlighted across the Trust and includes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff screen saver with contact details from October 2021 to 1st January 2022 - Call back service to reporters of abuse and domestic violence for case discussion, supervision, signposting and support - Virtual talks to teams - Regular Trust DA Champions sessions - Trust newsletter and launch with the CEO - Intranet page - Promotional material sent to directorates - systemOne template for safeguarding and 	<p>COMPLETE 18/11/2021</p>

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						<p>template for domestic abuse also states contact details for the domestic abuse and safeguarding leads.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - External agencies: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (DASV), local MARAC and IDVA service, CCG Safeguarding, Local police MASH, children's safeguarding and local authority MASH all aware of how to contact the single point of access for safeguarding and domestic abuse. 	
<p>d) Staff should have an awareness of and be able to complete a DASH assessment</p>							
Local	<p>Sept 1st 2021 a WTE band 7 specialist safeguarding domestic abuse lead(s) joined the Think Family Safeguarding Team and the Domestic Abuse Strategy was launched within CPFT November the 18th 2021 with support by the Chief Executive during her live virtual talk to Trust staff.</p>	<p>What difference will it make? Improvement in quality of DASH risk assessment</p> <p>How will the public know? Use and quality of DASH risk assessments is scrutinised by MARAC.</p>	<p>Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation</p>	<p>By January 2022</p>	<p>Green</p>	<p>Update: This has been completed through</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One to one sessions following Datix review or enquiry to the single point of access Think Family safeguarding • Through small and large team discussions led by the domestic abuse 	<p>COMPLETE 02/01/2022</p>

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			Trust (CPFT)			<p>leads during prom sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through signposting to local DASV boards training. The DA intranet page has a link to DASV training on completing a DASH, MARAC, IDVA and coercive control. The training is self-directed, lasts approx. 25 minutes. <p>https://www.safeguardingcambpeterborough.org.uk/home/covid-19/e-learning-during-covid-19/completing-a-dash-risk-indicator-checklist/</p>	
Local	As part of our quality improvement plan, we are in the process of uploading domestic abuse training on the CPFT learning platform.		Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By June 2022	Amber	<p>Update: This is still in progress and is expected to be completed and available to staff on the e-learning platform by December 2022. Currently there are dedicated information slides on DA in the level 3 Safeguarding module.</p> <p>Update: These slides are in final approval stage and will be going as draft to the Jan 2023 safeguarding Committee to start the approval process</p>	

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					<p>Green</p> <p>Update: Our Domestic Abuse Training will be undergoing a new review, so there is a delay while this is being undertaken.</p> <p>Update: DA is included as part of the Think Family Training that is delivered via Teams and offered by our team members to all CPFT staff on a monthly basis. This allows discussion and questions in a way eLearning doesn't. In addition to this bespoke training can be offered to individual teams and this has occurred. Individual advice and guidance is given when requested also which aids learning with a live situation. We can also signpost to Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - Home (cambsdasv.org.uk) and there are various support links on this site to support, IDVAs, training, eLearning and more.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: CPFT DA training: Domestic abuse is included in CPFT mandatory safeguarding training which is provided both face to face and online. Staff are also signposted to</p>	<p>COMPLETE 31/10/2023</p>
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						<p>Cambridgeshire DASV eLearning modules on DA. Cambridgeshire County Council DASV Partnership - Domestic Abuse Awareness (cambsdav.org.uk) and in addition staff are encouraged to attend DASV 'DA champion' sessions which are an excellent additional learning opportunity.</p>	
<p>e) Staff should be aware of Domestic Abuse (risk types of, how to recognise and support, sign posting etc).</p>							
Local	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All safeguarding and domestic abuse concerns are recorded on the systmOne template. This was launched in early December 2021. Guidance on completion has also been circulated to staff The NHS safeguarding App is promoted within CPFT which is a point of reference and refresher for all safeguarding matters and domestic abuse. Guidance on how to upload it is on the CPFT intranet page. 	<p>What difference will it make? Our quality improvement training plan is essential for further raising awareness within our organisation of domestic abuse and supporting survivors in order to reduce risk, implement learning lessons from enquires and SI's, achieve best practice.</p> <p>How will the public know? Raising awareness of how to recognise, respond and review Domestic abuse is part of the DA strategy.</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green	<p>Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The definition of domestic abuse and types of abuse are also on the systmOne domestic abuse template. Indirect training for staff includes DA leads facilitating external specialist staff speakers at team meetings and DA Champion sessions All safeguarding and domestic abuse leads band 7 have level 4 training each year. They also have/ are in the process of completing level 4 safeguarding supervision course 	Commenced 18/11/21

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						<p>New CPFT DA patient leaflets are now available in public areas around the Trust</p> <p>Awareness campaign used bespoke posters to reach CPFT staff who may be victims of DA, which can be seen in staff areas.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: Complete</p>	<p>COMPLETE 13/09/2022</p>
Local	<p>What actions need to occur?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will upskill teams through direct training on safeguarding level 3 mandatory training for qualified staff which is on CPFT eLearning platform. Staff also have the opportunity to enhance their learning through a range of internal and external training sessions, including access to free training through DASV, the safeguarding board, and local authority training for section 75 social workers. 		Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By April 2022	<p>Amber</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Update: Direct training on safeguarding level 3 is now available for qualified staff, but the uptake is currently low. More promotional / awareness coms is being sent to staff to increase the uptake.</p> <p>Update: Safeguarding level 3 training has improved and is being monitored through the Safeguarding Committee.</p>	<p>COMPLETE 20/12/22</p>
Local	Ensure a separate domestic abuse training module is available on the organisations eLearning platform		Paul Collin for Cambrid	By June 2022	Amber	<p>Update: This is still in progress and is expected to be completed and available to staff</p>	

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	<p>Due to the pandemic some plans for raising awareness have been put on hold and hope to resume within 6-12 months</p>		<p>geshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)</p>		<p>Amber</p> <p>Amber</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>on the e-learning platform by December 2022</p> <p>Update: These slides are in final approval stage and will be going as draft to the Jan 2023 safeguarding Committee to start the approval process.</p> <p>Update: Domestic Abuse is included in the Think Family Safeguarding training – available to Trust staff, Our Domestic Abuse Training will be undergoing a new review, so there is a delay in sharing this with staff, while this is being undertaken.</p> <p>Update: Everyone’s safeguarding training is recorded on their electronic system, and the learning and development team send reminders to managers when their staff member is scheduled to complete their training. Training requirements are dictated by the Joint publications on safeguarding responsibilities. The ThinkFamily team offer joint training monthly and any staff member</p>	<p>COMPLETE 29/09/2023</p>
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						identified as requiring L3 training can access this, failure to complete in sufficient time should be discussed at staff member supervision sessions, part of their appraisal and should form part of their pay progression. Training is also recorded on every staff members electronic staff record (ESR) and each line manager can access that data and the staff member is provided with sufficient reminders in advance to complete. Every staff member requiring this level will be a registered practitioner and it is their professional responsibility to complete.	
f) Staff should know how to refer to the MASH.							
Local	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One to one sessions following Datix review or enquiry to the single point of access Think Family safeguarding which will be forwarded to the domestic abuse leads Through small and large team discussions led by the domestic abuse leads during prom sessions 	<p>What difference will it make? Staff will feel more confident in liaising with the MASH and communication will be more effective. Staff are aware that often at the heart of lessons learnt after a serious incident, that poor communication is often a factor.</p> <p>How will the public know? This will be an internal process</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green Green	<p>Update: DA promotion sessions commenced November 2021 following appointment of DA practitioner post</p> <p>Update: Complete</p>	Commenced 18/11/21 COMPLETE 13/09/2022

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Local	L3 adult safeguarding training contains details of how to raise a concern with the local authority via the MASH		Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By April 2022	Amber Green	Update: L3 adult safeguarding training relaunched 2022-23 Update: This is included in the L3 training and adult safeguarding policy	COMPLETE 13/09/2022
g) Staff should be aware of consent-based referrals and when to override consent (public interest, threat to life & limb, risk to children etc).							
Local	One to one sessions following Datix review or enquiry to the single point of access Think Family safeguarding Due to the pandemic some plans for raising awareness have been put on hold and hope to resume within 12 months	What difference will it make? Staff feel more confident in this area following one to one session with the domestic abuse lead and information is shared lawfully How will the public know? Recognising, responding and recording about all kinds of abuse and how staff should make referrals to LA MASH will be part of the Safeguarding policies made visible on Internet for public	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green Green	Update: Through small and large team discussions led by the domestic abuse leads during prom sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the aid of guidance from the Information governance team, their intranet page showing guiding principles and legislation Through tools such as the breaching confidentiality tool Update: Complete	Commenced 18/11/21 COMPLETE 13/09/2022
	L3 adult safeguarding training contains details of how to manage		Paul Collin for	By April 2022	Amber	Update: L3 adult safeguarding training to be relaunched 2022-23	

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	issues of consent confidentiality and lawful information sharing		Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)		Green	Update: This is now included in the L3 training	COMPLETE 13/09/2022
h) CPFT should provide regular up to date training in line with Trust policy							
Local	<p>Ensure a separate domestic abuse training module is available on the organisations eLearning platform</p> <p>Due to the pandemic some plans for specialist areas training on the eLearning platform, such as child to parent abuse, have been delayed and hope to resume within 12 months. In the interim, domestic abuse leads are signposting staff to external training sessions/opportunities.</p>	<p>What difference will it make? Inhouse training on our eLearning platform enables the organisation to collect data and demonstrate compliance easier than when staff access training independently through external organisations.</p> <p>How will the public know? The adult and children training needs analysis will include training around domestic abuse. Mandatory training is monitored within the trust and compliance is reported to Board and CCG/overseen by internal and external governance monitoring including CQC. Compliance will be addressed through Quality Improvement Plans where needed.</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By June 2022	Amber Amber Amber	<p>Update: This is still in progress and is expected to be completed and available to staff on the e-learning platform by December 2022.</p> <p>Update: These slides are in final approval stage and will be going as draft to the Jan 2023 safeguarding Committee to start the approval process</p> <p>Update: Domestic Abuse is included in the Think Family Safeguarding training – available to Trust staff, Our Domestic Abuse Training will be undergoing a new review, so there is a delay in sharing this with staff, while this is being undertaken.</p>	COMPLETE 31/10/2023

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					Green	Update: Complete	
Local	L3 adult safeguarding training contains details of how to manage issues of consent confidentiality and lawful information sharing.		Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By April 2022	Amber Green	Update: L3 adult safeguarding training to be relaunched 2022-23 Update: This is now included in the L3 training	COMPLETE 13/09/2022
i) CPFT should provide regular one to one and group supervision for staff.							
Local	Within the wider organisation - Since the launch of the Think Family Safeguarding team and then the domestic abuse strategy in November 2021, staff have been able to contact the team and get a speedy response. The leads in safeguarding and domestic abuse offer one-to-one, supervision and group sessions. Feedback from staff accessing the services will be available in the next quarter.	<p>What difference will it make? Staff will have access to specialists in safeguarding and domestic abuse and have an opportunity to reflect on and improve practice. Thereby improving victim support and safety planning.</p> <p>How will the public know? CPFT safeguarding team members will have access to bespoke formal training, Safeguarding Supervision training by March 22. Currently informal safeguarding advice/supervision is offered on a request basis through the Trust</p>	Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)	By January 2022	Green	Update: In relation to the specific case, a safeguarding lead (nurse) spent time with the team providing the following: Information on DA was provided to staff by email on 20 Nov 2020 A safeguarding supervision session was provided to the team 27/1/20. The domestic abuse lead and safeguarding lead nurse has been invited back to the team for an update and refresher for all staff on DA,	COMPLETE 20/11/2021

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		<p>safeguarding think family single point of contact.</p> <p>While informal advice/supervision will still be offered, some teams/cases will be offered regular formal safeguarding supervision</p> <p>Uptake of both informal advice/supervision and formal supervision sessions will be reported quarterly within internal governance systems and annually to the Board and CCG.</p>				which is expected to be arranged within 4 weeks.	
	<p>From April 2022 monthly reflective learning surgeries will be available for all staff provided by the think family safeguarding team. These will cover all aspects of safeguarding including domestic abuse.</p>	<p>Staff will have access to specialists in safeguarding and domestic abuse and have an opportunity to reflect on and improve practice. Thereby improving victim support and safety planning.</p>	<p>Paul Collin for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT)</p>	<p>By April 2022</p>	<p>Amber</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Update: Monthly Reflective Learning Surgeries is now available for qualified staff, but the uptake is currently low. More promotional / awareness coms is being sent to staff to increase the uptake Ward based surgeries now being rolled out</p> <p>Update: Monthly Professional Learning continues.</p>	<p>COMPLETE 20/12/22</p>
<p>Recommendation 6 Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group Primary Care (Identified from IMR. Historic relationship) However, these actions may be relevant today if they are not routinely carried out</p>							
<p>a) When a partner is in attendance at the appointment, ensure a record of partners' names or as a minimum, their initials are recorded</p> <p>b) Consider Did Not Attends – use of a 'Frequent DNA Register' which could be linked to a Safeguarding adult register.</p>							

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- c) Record safeguarding incidents on connected accounts i.e. parent and child
- d) It is recommended that domestic abuse training for primary care providers covers the importance of asking the question about how things are at home for the individual at increased risk (particularly for frequent attenders and frequent non-attenders and those where we know there is a history of domestic abuse) and that they know what to do when a disclosure is made including appropriate signposting to support services.

Local	All these recommendations above are included in primary care network domestic abuse policies.	Section 11 Audit (Summer 2022)	Linda Coultrup, Named Nurse Safeguarding Adults Primary Care	By September 2022	Red	<p>March update: The s11 audit is bi-annual and was last completed in May 2021. However, the response was less than ideal, and we were also mid pandemic, limiting the support to virtual only. The CCG made the decision to amalgamate the s11 statutory audit with the adult self-assessment (which is good practice not statutory.) This revised edition has not yet been introduced as it is in the process of being finalised. Plans are being made to re-launch shortly and should be prior to Sept 2022.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Revised Sept update: A combined s11 and adult self-assessment audit has commenced and the date for completion is 30 September</p>	COMPLETE 01/11/2023
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						<p>2022. Support sessions were offered by the ICB virtually and in person. Monthly webinars continue to be offered selecting topical concerns e.g. the DA act and the implications for PC was delivered recently. The ICB monthly newsletter contains a 'Spotlight on DHRs' and the ICB use this to share areas for improvement so all of primary care benefit and not just the practice involved. The ICB also offer fortnightly drop-in sessions for primary care which is well utilised and also gives the ICB an opportunity to make suggestions to include the DNA report, linking information confidentially, controlling partners and how to manage these situations. Recording of information on the ICB system has improved to ensure no misinterpretation of advice.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Dec update: The audit is nearing completion, we currently have a return of 91% our target was 90%. We continue to support site visits date for completion-31 January 2023. A presentation and</p>	
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						<p>further discussion was delivered to the GP Safeguarding leads at their forum on 07/12/2022 following the publication of the DA Act and further emphasised the recommendation of asking all patients about DA.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: The s11/adult self-assessment audit has been completed with 100% success. This enables the safeguarding team to prioritise the requirements for primary care and address each practice individually.</p> <p>We do not commission primary care services, we seek assurance about their safeguarding knowledge and practices.</p> <p>We share lessons learnt across primary care via monthly safeguarding newsletters for Primary Care, we use every opportunity for sharing relevant information during safeguarding drop-in/supervision sessions, safeguarding GP forums and individual enquires. Updates are given to the ICB safeguarding team also and this action plan</p>	
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						<p>will be discussed on 26 April 2023.</p> <p>The DASV Lead and Independent Domestic Abuse Lead are offering bespoke training sessions to primary care either to individual practices or a group. They will attend in person to deliver these sessions or via Teams.</p> <p>The Named Nurses have continued to also visit primary care, and each practice will have their own agenda for the visit however, these are also opportunities for sharing lessons learnt.</p> <p>The safeguarding team are very proactive and evolving all the time based on the think family approach.</p> <p>Reviewing recent notes evidenced good practices, including who attended with a patient – this was part of a different DHR.</p> <p>Failure to attend is always recorded and the action taken – this will include a follow up text and depending on the situation may also result in a call back.</p> <p>Not all primary care has implemented report running for</p>	
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						<p>missed appointments yet although where this has been specific to a practice it is known this has occurred.</p> <p>A review of notes identified every safeguarding incident was recorded on linked notes. In addition for consideration, there is multi-agency access to notes i.e. school nurses, Health Visitors, 0-19 team, MASH. Ambulance/police referrals will be sent to primary care and updated on the appropriate records, but it is not acceptable to record the victim on a perpetrator's notes.</p> <p>Experience evidences that primary care has good knowledge of signposting, they are also included in their safeguarding templates.</p> <p>Primary care increasingly make contact with the safeguarding team which evidences the benefits of our ongoing promotion of self and team and the support available to them.</p> <p>The safeguarding team have a generic inbox and a duty team daily so we are available to respond as soon as possible but we are not an emergency</p>	
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						<p>service, and they would all know to contact the emergency services as appropriate. Professional curiosity remains an area requiring ongoing promotion, training sessions were previously delivered by an external facilitator and well attended. The Safeguarding Partnership Board have a SWAY on professional curiosity which is readily available on their website, routinely advertised in our newsletters, the Primary Care weekly bulletin and via the GP Training Hub Website. Finally we also promote the LA MASH are happy to have what if conversations.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: Point of contact for updates has left the organisation. Updates provided by Designated Nurse Safeguarding Childre.:</p> <p><i>When a partner is in attendance at the appointment, ensure a record of partners' names or as a minimum, their initials are recorded. Primary care were informed at the time of the review and will be covered in the next Safeguarding</i></p>	
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						<p>newsletter and the importance of recording details of all individuals in attendance with the patient is clearly documented in the Patients record.</p> <p>Green <i>Consider Did Not Attends – use of a ‘Frequent DNA Register’ which could be linked to a Safeguarding adult register. Liaised with Primary Care and advised them that it would be best practice to monitor frequent “Did Not attends/ Was not brought” and consider this against patients already known on their safeguarding registers. We will ensure that this is included in the next newsletter to further reinforce this.</i></p> <p>Green <i>Record safeguarding incidents on connected accounts i.e. parent and child. There have been regular discussions with primary care both in face-to-face support visits and via the ICB Primary Care forums and drop ins of the importance of ensure that incidents are recorded in all parties records.</i></p>	
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					<p>Green</p> <p><i>It is recommended that domestic abuse training for primary care providers covers the importance of asking the question about how things are at home for the individual at increased risk (particularly for frequent attenders and frequent non-attenders and those where we know there is a history of domestic abuse) and that they know what to do when a disclosure is made including appropriate signposting to support services. Domestic Abuse training for Primary Care is being facilitated alongside support from the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership, this will include asking the DA question and selective and routine enquiries alongside how to make referrals to the domestic abuse services. Information regarding this is also clearly available on the DASV website and Primary Care are signposted to this. primary care practitioners also have direct access to advice and support from the ICB safeguarding team and there is a</i></p>	
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						duty worker who can provide a timely response, advice and offer signposting to appropriate services who can support.	
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Appendix A : In addition to the Recommendations identified during this Review, some of the organisations that submitted IMRs made recommendations within those reports. These are set out here for information, as they were presented in the IMRs. These will be monitored as part of the action plan arising from the DHR alongside the DHR panel recommendations

Scope of Recommendation	Action to be taken	Outcome	Lead Agency	Target date	Progress	Agency response to recommendations/Outcome	Date of completion
Local, County, regional or national level?	How relevant agency will make this recommendation happen? What actions need to occur?	What difference will it make? How will the public know?		Date the recommendation/actions should be implemented by	Red Amber Green		
Recommendation 7 (Identified from IMR. Historic relationship)							
Suffolk Police							
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that staff across the constabulary are aware of Stalking Protection Orders (SPO) as a valuable tool in providing protection control and sanction in regard to high-risk Domestic Abuse matters including how an order can be written authorised and obtained outside of the wider investigative process. Confirm via audit that it is being used effectively and appropriately in regard to Domestic Abuse. 							
Local	Geographical monitoring of where Stalking Protection Orders are obtained, length of period and any breaches. Auditing DA investigations where SPO's haven't	The use of protective measures have been identified by HMICFRS as areas for improvement and form part of a super complaint to policing. As such improvements are and will continue	DCI Angus Moir Crime, Safeguarding and	By Dec 2023	Green	Update: The Constabulary monitors the use of Stalking Protection Orders. Records are held by both SCC legal services and the Joint Justice Command.	COMPLETE 01/11/2023

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	<p>been considered or obtained any rational for any missed opportunities</p>	<p>to be subject to reporting and accountability.</p>	<p>Incident Management Suffolk Constabulary</p>		<p>Green</p> <p>Green</p>	<p>Monthly reporting on the use of protective measures has been introduced into the Crime, Safeguarding and Incident management command. Actions to increase the use of SPO's and protective measures are documented within the Constabulary DA continuous improvement plan. This includes local policing command monitoring of DA cases through daily tasking process to consider early protective measures.</p> <p>Update: The use and monitoring of SPO's continues and is now being supported by Weightmans as the new contracted legal provider for civil orders. SPO's feature within the Constabularies formalised performance monitoring processes.</p> <p>Update: As of 1st April all stalking cases are assessed by a Detective Sergeant in the Crime-Co-ordination Centre and relevant cases are identified for early consideration of an SPO. All Sergeants and Inspectors have received a bespoke civil orders input form the law firm that</p>	
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						<p>represents Suffolk Constabulary. SPO data is to be presented and scrutinised at Force level performance panels. A civil-orders toolkit has been made available to all staff to assist in the process of SPO applications.</p> <p>Green</p> <p>Update: As per the previous update but with addition that the Constabulary is designing a new process to manage those individuals with an SPO and it is anticipated that this process will raise the awareness and effectiveness of SPOs and therefore increase applications.</p> <p>In addition a benchmarking request was completed by Suffolk Constabulary where all forces in England and Wales were asked to provide their data in relation to how many SPOs they have obtained. Suffolk still perform well in this area nationally compared to similar size forces.</p>	
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Recommendation 8 (Identified from IMR. Historic relationship)

Suffolk Police

1. Suffolk Police should review their practice in relation to the use of the provisions of both DVPN's and DVPO's to ensure they are well understood by officers across the constabulary as a valuable preventative tool and confirm via audits that they are being used effectively and appropriately in regard to Domestic Abuse. They should share their practice and learning with colleagues in Cambridgeshire as a means of promoting collaborative learning and development.

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Local	<p>Geographical monitoring of where DVPOs and DVPNs obtained, length of period and any breaches. Auditing DA investigations where DVPOs and DVPNs haven't been considered or obtained any rational for any missed opportunities</p>	<p>The use of protective measures have been identified by HMICFRS as areas for improvement and form part of a super complaint to policing. As such improvements are and will continue to be subject to reporting and accountability.</p>	<p>DCI Angus Moir Crime, Safeguarding and Incident Management Suffolk Constabulary</p>	<p>By June 2022 then reviewed annually</p>	<p>Green</p>	<p>Update: The Constabulary monitors the use of DVPN / O's. Records are held by both SCC legal services and the DA team. Monthly reporting on the use of protective measures has been introduced into the Crime, Safeguarding and Incident management command. Actions to increase the use of DVPN / O and protective measures are documented within the Constabulary DA continuous improvement plan. This has included presentations to staff by legal services and MARAC chair. Briefings and guidance being communicated force wide.</p> <p>Local policing commands monitoring DA cases through daily tasking process to consider early protective measures.</p> <p>Green Update: The use and monitoring of DVPN / O's continues and is now being supported by Weightmans as the new contracted legal provider for civil orders. DVPN / O's feature within the Constabularies formalised</p>	<p>COMPLETE 01/11/2023</p>
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					Green	performance monitoring processes. Update: Similar to SPOs, all Sergeants and Inspectors have received a bespoke civil orders input form the law firm that represents Suffolk Constabulary with particular focus being placed on DVPO applications. DVPO data is to be presented and scrutinised at Force level performance panels. A civil-orders toolkit has been made available to all staff to assist in the process of DVPO applications.	
					Green	Update: DVPO applications within Suffolk has remained constant within this reporting period.	
<p>Recommendation 9 (Identified from IMR. Historic relationship) Cambridgeshire IDVA Service</p>							
<p>1. Ensure IDVAs signpost clients to appropriate group or one-to-one domestic abuse group programmes, recognising where an individual feels overwhelmed by professionals and appointments or does not feel confident in a group setting, including the Freedom programme and online programmes</p>							
Local	Adapted outcome monitoring service to enable to look at how many individuals have moved on to group work. Where commissioned services/programmes, follow up that referrals have been taken forward.	Group programmes have shifted to online since covid, which has increased choice and IDVAs can consider appropriateness depending on an individual's circumstances i.e. access to IT.	Julia Cullum, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence	By June Sept 2023	Amber	Update: Case management system updated to allow recording of referrals to group programmes. Recording has been discussed at IDVA team meetings.	COMPLETE 30/09/2023

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			Partnership Manager		Green	Update: Recording of group programmes now takes place on case management system and options for group programmes are a regular item for team meetings.	
					Green	Update: Our new case management system is now in place.	
<p>Recommendation 10 (Identified from IMR. Historic relationship) (However, these actions may be relevant today if they are not routinely carried out)</p> <p>Cambridgeshire Police</p> <p>1. Cambridgeshire Police should review their practice in relation to the use of the provisions of both DVPN's and DVPO's to ensure they are well understood by officers across the constabulary as a valuable preventative tool and confirm via audits that they are being used effectively and appropriately in regard to Domestic Abuse. They should share their practice and learning with colleagues in Suffolk as a means of promoting collaborative learning and development.</p>							
Local	<p>See also response in recommendation 4 above.</p> <p>The processes for advice and guidance to officers in making applications for DVPNs is actively monitored and supported by supervisory, line managers and MASH processes.</p> <p>Sharing practice between the respective forces has a limited practicality as all cases must be based on individual circumstances.</p> <p>National sharing of best practice takes place through the College of</p>	<p>The force executive has confidence that the consideration of a DVPO is embedded for all domestic abuse investigations through the robust supervision processes and sampling in place.</p> <p>Continued Stakeholder support with both statutory and voluntary agencies.</p> <p>Dynamic response to emerging issues by partnerships.</p> <p>Publication of statistics in public arena.</p>	DI Savill for PVPD Cambridgeshire Constabulary	By June 2022 then reviewed annually (June 2023)	Green	Update: The Vulnerability Focus Desk (VFD) was introduced in April 2021 and is designed to support frontline decision making in two critical areas of Missing Persons and Domestic Abuse. In respect of Domestic Abuse, the team act as tactical advisors for the initial safeguarding of the victim, investigative considerations and any onward steps which may be necessary, such as Domestic Violence Protection Orders. The team advise frontline staff on which cases will be suitable for a DVPO and will support staff in preparing	COMPLETE 19/04/2023

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	<p>Policing and Approved Professional Practice.</p> <p>Since September 2020, all Cambridgeshire officers have had access to the 'We Protect' application on their work issued smart phones. This allows them to make a referral to the Domestic Abuse Alliance directly from the scene and ensures that those requiring immediate legal assistance to secure protective orders (such as Non-Molestation and Occupation Orders) can access such assistance without delay.</p> <p>Compliance with the requirement to consider a referral is tracked through every DA incident write off and is further tracked through the monthly DA Scrutiny Group which examines a sample of DA cases each month.</p> <p>Active monitoring will continue in accordance with the DA scrutiny groups activity.</p>					<p>both the application and subsequent court processes. The Constabulary has also widened its own defined circumstances when a DVPO will be considered – medium and standard risk cases are now considered where there is an ongoing risk of harm identified and there have also been several cases where DVPO's have been successfully applied for alongside police bail conditions where the risk of harm is deemed to be exceptional. Based on all these steps, senior leaders within the Constabulary are confident that the consideration of a DVPO is embedded for all domestic abuse investigations.</p> <p>Between May and December 2021, 135 DVPN applications have been completed with 108 DVPO's (80% of the DVPN's issued) being granted at court. This represents a 440% increase on the amount of DVPO's granted compared to the whole of 2020. The Constabulary has regularly exceeded over 300 referrals a month through this service over the previous twelve months to December 2021.</p>	
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					<p>Green</p> <p>Update: The Constabulary continues to display encouraging trends in the area of DVPO and referrals for protective orders.</p> <p>Between January and August 2022, 107 DVPO applications have been made at court, with 88 of these having been granted. Compliance checks are managed through local daily management processes and the number of breaches has increased as a result. Disappointingly, we continue to receive a poor level of service from courts when hearing breaches of orders, with small monetary fines providing the bulk of court outcomes rather than custodial sentences. This is a worrying trend when prosecuting such orders and has prompted the head of Criminal Justice for the Constabulary to write to the national DA lead to raise awareness nationally.</p> <p>Referrals to the Domestic Abuse Alliance via the We Protect continue to flow strongly, with the Constabulary making between 275 – 300 referrals each month. We continue to work</p>	
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						<p>closely with the Domestic Abuse Alliance to develop our partnership.</p> <p>Green Update: DVPO numbers continue to trend upwardly with very little lean in from the Vulnerability Focus Desks, indicating the process is now well imbedded. Number of applications is likely to be around 170 over the twelve months which is comparable with the same period in 2021.</p> <p>Green Update: This is now an embedded process and can be discharged. Complete.</p>	
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