## SAFER SOMERSET PARTNERSHIP

## DOMESTIC HOMICIDE REVIEW- LILY

## **ACTION PLAN**

## GLOSSARY

AFV	Adult Family Violence					
ASC	Somerset Adult Social Care					
CCG	Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group DA					
DA	Domestic Abuse					
DASH	Domestic Abuse Stalking and Honour based violence risk assessment tool.					
MARAC	Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference					
SSP	Safer Somerset partnership					
SSAB	Somerset Safeguarding Adult Board					
SomFT	Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation trust					

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1	Recommendation Recommendation One To carry out a review of the MARAC, its procedures, referrals by agencies and identification of support /safety planning offered to victims of domestic abuse. Ownership: Safer Somerset Partnership	Local	MARAC1 Safelives to complete the review of present operation of the MARAC.2 SSP to review findings and develop an action plan to respond to recommendations in the review.3. Work with partnership agencies to develop updated and improved best practice procedures		<ul> <li>Updated and improved operating of the MARAC which better supports victims of DA.</li> <li>Deep dive case review to ensure success of updated MARAC procedures.</li> </ul>	_																															
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	Communication									
2	<b>Recommendation Two</b> As part of SSP communication strategy to the wider community to communicate information about adult family violence (AFV), what it is ( how to identify it) and to identify what support there is for a victim of AFV.	Local	Update Communication strategy to include AFV. Campaign to highlight AFV	SSP	Campaign to the wider community about AVF.	Dec 22	The wider community understand AFV, how to identify it, better reporting and understanding of what support is available.			
		Tr	aining							
3	<b>Recommendation Three</b> The Police, SomFT and CCG to identify /promote to relevant professionals and practitioners training and guidance on adopting a trauma informed approach to supporting a victim of domestic abuse. This to include identification of trauma relating to family background, grief, mental health and substance abuse . This training should also include unconditional bias , knowing how it manifests and what professionals	Local	<ol> <li>Online training modules to be provided by SSP within their DA training.</li> <li>Implementation of DA Matters within ASC.</li> <li>CCG to promote best practice to GPs about trauma</li> </ol>	Safer Somerset Partnersh ip/ agency training	Online training to include trauma- based approach to supporting victims of DA. Review by agencies via supervision of professionals the impact of training to better understand	Summer 2023	Professionals in the police, mental health services and GPs understand what is happening in a DA victims' life and are able to provide appropriate support.			

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can do to challenge it and how this impact on support to a victim of domestic abuse. <i>Ownership; Police, SomFT, CCG</i>		<ul> <li>informed approach for supporting victims of DA.</li> <li>4. SomFT to review its DA training module to ensure it includes a trauma-based approach to supporting victims of DA and a thorough understanding of the links between mental health, domestic abuse and substance misuse.</li> <li>5. SSP to seek assurance from the police, CCG and SomFT that the training is ongoing and that outcomes are making a difference to victims of domestic abuse.</li> </ul>		trauma within a victim's life and how support should reflect this. Police, CCG and SomFT report to SSP on the outcome of training and the impact on support to victims of DA.		

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4.	Recommendation Four SSP to review its training for professionals and practitioners to ensure it includes all definitions of domestic abuse relating to interpersonal violence but also adult family violence. Ownership; Safer Somerset Partnership	Local	<ol> <li>SSP to review its training curriculum. To ensure AFV is include. If not, additional training module to ne provided.</li> </ol>	SSP	<ol> <li>Review of training modules.</li> <li>Inclusion of module relating to AFV.</li> </ol>	Dec 22	Training programm e included AFV and profession als understan d the dynamics of such abuse.
5.	<b>Recommendation Five</b> Health practitioners, police and adult social care to understand the suicide risk and links to domestic abuse and the impact of grief when a family member has experienced a death by suicide. Professionals within the mentioned organisations to also understand what support is available to families with this experience. <b>Ownership; Police, CCG, SomFT and Adult</b>	Local	1. Relevant practitioners to access the Somerset Public Health commissioned/ approved suicide prevention course.	SSP	<ol> <li>Training delivered.</li> <li>Review of success of training and support for possible suicide victims and the impact on suicide statistics in Somerset.</li> </ol>	2023	Professio nal understan d the suicide risk and links to domestic abuse and better support is provided to victims

	Social Care.						to manage the risks	
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	Other							
6	Recommendation Six Somerset Safeguarding Adult Board (SSAB) to review "What to do if it's not Safeguarding" guidance and how it interacts with a MARAC. Also, SSAB to promote to agencies and practitioners in Somerset the model in order to support a vulnerable individual who may not meet the threshold of an adult safeguarding referral or a MARAC.	Local	<ol> <li>To include the inclusion of What to do if its not safeguarding in the MARAC review.</li> <li>Develop flow chart for professionals to identify when this model of support could be used.</li> <li>Promote this model of support.</li> </ol>	Somers et Safegua rding Adult Board	<ol> <li>Promotion of "What to do if it's not safeguarding "to professionals.</li> <li>Agreed links between the updated model for the MARAC and What to do if its not safeguarding.</li> </ol>	Dec 2022	Profession als understan d the support that can be provided to a vulnerable adult when the referral does not meet the threshold of the Care Act 2014	

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7.	<b>Recommendation Seven</b> All agencies to be reminded of the importance of recording ethnicity of victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse on records, e.g. patient records/user records and crime records.	Local		SSP	Agency will provide this information.	Implemented	Agencies record ethnicity.
8.	<b>Recommendation Eight</b> All agencies involved in this review , implement agency recommendations, and report the outcomes to the Safer Somerset partnership within six months of publication of this DHR	Local	1. Update report to SSP	SSP and agencie s involved in this review	Review of actions by agencies involved in this review.	Ongoing	Improved services for victims of DA.