# Safer Somerset Partnership Domestic Homicide Review ref 048

#### **Avon & Somerset Police**

Recommendation	Scope of recommendation i.e. local or national	Action to take	Lead Agency	Key milestones achieved in enacting recommendation	Target date	Completion
Avon & Somerset Police to review their Counter Allegation and Domestic Abuse policies to provide more specific guidance on dealing with counter allegations in the context of coercive and controlling behaviour and domestic abuse.	Local	Amendments to Counter Allegation & Domestic Abuse Policies.  Incorporate guidance into policies for re- issue in Jan 2024.  Roll out of new policy.  Monitor impact.	Avon & Somerset Police	To ensure that risk to both parties is fully considered and appropriate support offered.  Recommendation already accepted by theme leads for domestic abuse and owner of counter allegation policy.	January 2024	
Avon & Somerset Police to provide data on DASH compliance and quality to Safer Somerset Partnership with current action plan to improve DASH compliance.	Local	Share current and past DASH performance compliance figures to Safer Somerset Partnership.	Avon & Somerset Police	Review Qlikdata and provide to Safer Somerset Partnership Business Manager.	September 2023	Data provided Sept 2023 Followed up action

				June 2022 - May 2023, records show a 28% improvement in DASH compliance.		plan April 2024
		Quality assurance panels to be put in place.  Share outcome of DASH element from CPS quality assurance panel.	Avon & Somerset Police	Relevant panels output form shared with Safer Somerset Partnership.	Dec 2023	Chased April 2024
Avon & Somerset Police and Children Social Care to evaluate their jointly funded role to ascertain its impact and need for additional training or service development.	Local	Support and work with the CSC with regards to the quality of information shared with Children Social Care.  Ensure that data collection is ongoing.  To formally review the impact of the new Police triage role after one year.	A&S Police & Children Social Care	To improve information sharing and timeliness.	June 2024	

## Children Social Care (CSC)

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Children social Care to support and work with the Avon and Somerset Police with regards to the quality of information shared with Children Social Care.	Local	Recruitment of a new one year Police triage role which is jointly funded by CSC and Avon & Somerset Police.  Post holder has undergone relevant training which includes shadowing opportunities, Child Protection and Advanced Child Protection training (Inter-Agency) and time set aside for e-learning domestic abuse training.  Feedback around the role has been positive and it is hoped the role	Children Social Care	To improve information sharing and timeliness.	March 2023	March 2023

	will continue beyond		
	the year.		

### **Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service**

Recommendation	Scope of recommendation i.e. local or national	Action to take	Lead Agency	Key milestones achieved in enacting recommendation	Target date	Completion
Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue to update their "Safely Storing Fuel" website, Safely Storing Fuel Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service (dsfire.gov.uk) to list Petroleum Enforcement Authorities for each local authority they work in.	Local	Discussed during internal fatal fire review, action given to prevention team to review and update community prevention page on domestic fuel storage  Safely storing fuel   Devon and Somerset   Fire and Rescue Service	Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service	To ensure that the community have access to information, regarding the amount of fuel that can be safely stored at a property.	June 2023	June 2023

### Somerset Council

Recommendation	Scope of recommendation i.e. local or national	Action to take	Lead Agency	Key milestones achieved in enacting recommendation	Target date	Completion
Safer Somerset Partnership, Somerset Safeguarding Children Partnership and Somerset Safeguarding Adult Board Newsletters to each include an article on what to do if customers highlight concerns over safely storing fuel guidance on what is legally permitted and what to do if aware that too much fuel is stored at a property.	Local	Write article on safe storage of fuel at domestic premises and liaise with the managers of the Safer Somerset Partnership, Somerset Safeguarding Children Partnership and Somerset Safeguarding Adult Board to ensure inclusion in each of their newsletters.	Somerset Council Public Health (Domestic Abuse Lead)	Article researched and written.  Submission of article to each of the 3 statutory board newsletters.	31 Dec 2023	
Somerset Council Public Health to organise delivery of Counter Allegations training for professionals.	Local	Commissioning of provider to deliver counter-allegations training.  Organisation and promotion of dates and evaluation of feedback from course delegates.	Somerset Council Public Health	Specification written for commissioning of trainer.  Trainer procured. Dates agreed.	30 Oct 2023	In progress, dates set for Autumn 2023 and Spring 2024

				Course takes place and evaluation		
Somerset Council Public Health to organise delivery of Digital Abuse training for professionals and review (and update if required), its online modules for professionals and the public on digital abuse to improve recognition of signs and how to respond.	Local	Review online (level 1) domestic abuse learning for professionals (Domestic Abuse awareness (somersetsurvivors.co.uk) modules to ensure inclusion of digital abuse.  Review public facing modules at training.somersetsurvivors.co.uk	Somerset Council Public Health	Review existing content.  Update existing content if required.  Promote changes.	31 March 2024	Modules being reviewed Spring/ Summer 2024, to be updated by 31.8.24 and then comms plan to promote

## Somerset Integrated Domestic Abuse Service (SIDAS) - The YOU Trust

Recommendation	Scope of recommendation i.e. local or national	Action to take	Lead Agency	Key milestones achieved in enacting recommendation	Target date	Completion
Training for staff on the importance of documenting contacts, evidence, future	National	Training has been developed by the YOU Trust and is being delivered via E-	SIDAS Operational Managers	To ensure that clients receive contact and support weekly,	Ongoing	

appointments and ensuring case files adhere to Policies and Procedures and good practice.	Learning and front- line case management supervision.	and record keeping is in line with National Guidance and best practice.		
		A new Case Management System is being developed.	April 2023	Complete New system started 1.4.23