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# **Domestic Abuse Services for people using abusive behaviours**

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# Isle of Wight Domestic Abuse Services

- Isle of Wight domestic abuse services have been commissioned by the IWC Public Health team since 2022
- New contracts have been procured from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 for the two main domestic abuse services (commissioned with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner):
  - i. Service for victims and survivors of domestic abuse – provided by **You Trust**
  - ii. Service for people using abusive behaviours (previously called the perpetrator service) – provided by **Hampton Trust**

# Domestic abuse on the Isle of Wight

- Between October 2021 and September 2022, a total of **2,325** domestic abuse flagged crimes were recorded on the Isle of Wight\*
- This constituted 20% of all police recorded crimes
- 69% of people carrying out domestic abuse-related crimes were men
- Men aged 18 to 24 years, 25 to 34 years and 35 to 44 years were significantly more likely to be recorded as offenders of domestic abuse by police than any other age group.
- Only a proportion of domestic abuse incidents are reported to the police. By extrapolating national data, we estimate that around 4,300 women and 1,720 men over the age of 16 are subjected to domestic abuse each year on the Isle of Wight.

\*Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary data

# Service for people using abusive behaviours

From 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023, the Hampton Trust are delivering the service for people using abusive behaviours in line with the National Standards.

The service includes:

- Community based domestic abuse interventions
- Assessment of risk and need of those in the service and any known associated victim/survivors
- Appropriate safety and care planning for those in the service and any known associated victim/survivors
- Support for partners/ex-partners of those using abusive behaviours
- Prevention and awareness raising activities
- A multi-agency approach to risk management

# Service outcomes

- i. Increased identification of, and specialist intervention to those using abusive behaviours
- ii. Reduction of repeat use of abusive behaviours
- iii. Increased safety and reduction in the risk to victim/survivors and potential victim/survivors of domestic abuse
- iv. Improved health and wellbeing of people using abusive behaviours and those they have abused
- v. A multi-agency response to those using abusive behaviours

# Project Foundation

In addition to the main commissioned service, the Hampton Trust are also delivering Project Foundation on the Isle of Wight:

- Practitioner working with local Police team to identify people who have used abuse in a family setting but not been charged
- Includes monitoring and supervision, behaviour change interventions, referrals to support services (eg drug and alcohol) and victim safety planning



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