



North East Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership Domestic Homicide Review

Action Plan in Respect of the Death of Carol

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	Recommendation	Scope of recommendation i.e. local or regional	Action to take	Lead Agency	Key milestones achieved in enacting recommendation	Target Date	Completion Date and Outcome
1	It is recommended that the ICB continues to promote professional curiosity with primary care staff.	Local	Raise awareness of the importance of professional curiosity via local ICB-led safeguarding training for primary care.	Integrated Care Board	7-minute briefing discussed and disseminated in the GP lead forum and safeguarding in health forum. 'Professional curiosity featured as a key topic for Safeguarding Children Level 3 training.	June 2024 June 2024	Completed June 2024 Outcome: Primary care staff have increased confidence in using professional curiosity to ask pertinent safeguarding training. Victims disclose abuse and are enabled to receive support at an earlier stage.
2	NLaG reinforces to staff the need to follow the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017	Local	Mandatory staff training to be introduced.	NLaG	Integrate training on homelessness into Level 3	June 2024	Completed May 2024 Outcome:

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	when patients present as homeless.				safeguarding adults training. Develop electronic homelessness referral form for staff to complete.	June 2024	Appropriate considerations and onward referrals are made for patients presenting who are also homeless.
3	An official and accessible force policy is formalised that sets out how crimes recorded through the MARAC meetings will be investigated.	Local	Undertake work around the MARAC process with the vulnerability hub and four local authorities. Force policy to be formalised re. investigation of crimes recorded through MARAC. The decision around the policy is under review.	Humberside Police	MARAC covered within the DA policy. Policy adopted.	May 2024 December 2024	In progress Outcome: The force policy will give clear guidelines which are set against national guidance for MARAC. This will include a clear process for recording crimes reported at MARAC via third parties/agencies and what should be investigated

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							<p>including a full risk assessment process.</p> <p>All third-party reports of DA (101 or MARAC) are unverified and recorded as non-crime Each of these cases is to be risk assessed and reviewed by DAST DS or DASIT DI. This will be based on risk of harm, threat and breaking down relationships between victim and the partner agency but this would be overridden if there was a</p>

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							threat of serious harm.
4	Police officers attending MARAC ensure that there is a clear, comprehensive record of the case on the police systems that sets out all details of information shared and actions agreed.	Local	<p>Research forms with the information that is shared at MARAC stored by Domestic Abuse Safeguarding and Investigation Team (DASIT) in Humberside Police.</p> <p>Processes to be reviewed for agreed actions to ensure that North and South Bank are fully aligned.</p>	Humberside Police	Documents relating to MARAC held in a shared drive accessible to the DAST team, and PVPU. If the information is required outside of the access levels, the request can be made through the DAST team.	<p>Completed prior to action plan.</p> <p>October 2024</p>	<p>Completed September 2024</p> <p>Outcome:</p> <p>Humberside Police has a transparent process which can be reviewed or audited at any point for MARAC actions and outcomes. There is access to all relevant multi-agency information and actions taken in order to effectively safeguard victims of domestic abuse.</p>

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5	It is recommended that where offences are recorded, a full rationale is recorded for any decision made in respect of their investigation.	Local	Inspectors and Sergeants to be reminded of the requirement to record rationale in full, prior to closing / finalising occurrences, particularly where no investigation is undertaken.	Humberside Police	Reminder circulated.	March 2025	Completed February 2025 Outcome: decision making is clearly recorded and can be referred to by other officers to ensure the best possible service is delivered.
6	Regular case discussions are held with a manager to provide oversight in cases where the person has disengaged and / or has several complex needs.	Local	Management oversight by Senior Probation Officers of cases with individuals who have disengaged or have complex needs.	Probation	'Touch points model' involving direct case discussion, examination of case recording system, and confirmation of current risk assessment and risk	June 2024	Completed June 2024 Outcome: all opportunities are taken to encourage engagement with the probation service. The processes have become standard practice and are audited

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					management plan.		through internal quality assurance processes with the PDU Head.
7	WAWY to review with staff the expectations about appointment planning, particularly those who are high risk.	Local	Review and revisit expectations in relation to high risk appointment planning.	We Are With You	Pathway review completed. Management team support staff in understanding of expectations and supporting high risk clients.	June 2024 Ongoing	Completed June 2024 Outcome: Learning has been shared and team pathways reviewed. Effectiveness will be reviewed quarterly. High risk clients with complex and chaotic circumstances gain regularity and stability in engaging with support services.

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8	Staff are provided with training on professional curiosity, domestic abuse and relationships.	Local	Review of local provision of in-person domestic abuse and relationships training.	We Are With You	All staff are delivered the recommended training at induction.	June 2024	<p>Completed June 2024</p> <p>Outcome: Staff are in receipt of appropriate training with professional curiosity discussed as part of the learning outcomes.</p> <p>Issues around potential domestic abuse and clients' living arrangements are explored as appropriate allowing for earlier intervention and support to victims of abuse and control.</p>

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9	The introduction of the outreach team is accelerated if funding allows.	Local	Develop outreach job role description and seek expressions of interest within the team.	We Are With You	Finalise job role. Outreach roles to be introduced as the team is expanded. This is funding dependent, and cannot be accelerated.	June 2024 September 2024	In progress Outcome: Job role finalised. Increased outreach capacity results in improved support for high risk clients. High risk clients with complex and chaotic circumstances are enabled to gain regularity and stability in their engagement with support services.
10	The CSP assures itself that there is a local understanding of, and response	Local	Steps to be taken to ensure care and support is trauma aware, accepting that it will take time to	Community Safety Partnership	Trauma is considered within victim pathways.	March 2024	In progress Outcome: Victims feel safe in their

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	to, trauma across local services.		embed this into everyday practice.		Trauma informed approach is built into the DA commissioning specifications of all Lots.	September 2024	interactions with services, enabling them to receive the support they need to improve their safety and wellbeing.
11	Commissioners of both substance misuse and mental health services reassure themselves that services for those with dual diagnoses are being delivered in line with Department of Health guidance.	Local	Create a fully integrated dual diagnosis team staffed by commissioned substance use and mental health providers.	Public Health	Team to be in place. First clients to be seen.	April 2024 May 2024	Completed May 2024 Outcome: Individuals with dual diagnosis are supported in a single setting with a holistic approach to supporting their needs.
12	The Home Office raises the issue with the Minister for Children and Families that	National	N/A	Home Office	N/A	N/A	N/A

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	consideration be given to requiring local authorities to provide support for parents when children are removed.						
13	Domestic abuse is included as a specific priority within the sixth annual progress report of the National Suicide Prevention Strategy.	National	Inclusion of domestic abuse as a contributory factor in the update to the National Suicide Prevention Strategy.	Public Health England	Strategy updated.	September 2023.	Completed September 2023 Outcome: Domestic abuse is included as a key consideration in the Suicide Prevention in England 5-year Cross-sector Strategy. Opportunities are identified to prevent suicides where there is a link to domestic abuse.

