



Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Newsletter
A monthly newsletter brought to you by the
Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence Partnership

January 2026

Hello Everyone

Happy New Year and welcome to 2026

This month's newsletter has information about lots of services that may be able to support people you are working with. Please read and consider the links with your own service.

Julia and I always welcome feedback about the DASV services received. The IDVA services are sending a new feedback form to clients to see what is working and what tweaks can be made.

Claire Thatcher has started as the DASV Lived Experience Co-production Lead. If you haven't met her, I'm sure she would love to hear from you and talk more about her role and the work she is doing. Claire would particularly welcome conversations with people with lived experience; any interactions help to inform service development and provision. You may be working in a professional capacity and have lived experience of DASV in your personal life. All information will be kept confidential. To contact Claire please email Claire.thatcher@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Charis from Living Keys is leading on a competition / project to gather poetry and art from those who have been subjected to domestic abuse and sexual violence; her details are at the end of the newsletter and the deadline for entries is the 31st of January.

In Cambridgeshire we are excited to announce our new target hardening service provider, Safe Partnership, who started on 1st January and that we now have a dedicated space in a substance use refuge in Essex. Please see later in the newsletter for more details

Look out for events over the next year, with webinars, conferences and training events. We are really looking forward to meeting lots of you in person.

Best Wishes

Julia & Vickie

Julia Cullum, DASV Head of Service – Cambridgeshire

Vickie Crompton, DASV Manager - Peterborough



Local support service contact details

Cambridgeshire IDVA service:

Telephone: 01480 376200

Email: idva.referrals@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Monday – Friday 09.00 – 17.00 (16.30 on Fridays)

Peterborough IDVA service:

Telephone: 07983345580

Email: peterboroughidvas@peterborough.gov.uk

Monday – Friday 09.00 – 17.00 (16.30 on Fridays)

Cambridge & Peterborough Rape Crisis Helpline

Telephone: 01223 245888

Wednesday 19.00 – 21.30 & Sunday 10.00 – 12.30

Cambridgeshire domestic abuse outreach support - DASS:

Telephone: 0300 3731073 Monday – Friday 09.00 – 17.00

Peterborough domestic abuse outreach support – Peterborough Women’s Aid The Peacock Project:

Telephone 01733 894964 Monday – Friday 09.00 – 16.30 (16.00 on Fridays)

DASV Champions

The next online DASV Champion sessions will be in January & February 2026.

Probation will be speaking about the Building Choices Programme which has replaced Building Better Relationships.

There will also be an update on the MARAC review which was undertaken by SafeLives earlier this year.

Dates:

29th January 2026 11.00 – 13.00

3rd February 2026 11.00 – 13.00

12th February 2026 11.00 – 13.00

Click here to book tickets: [Building Choices \(Probation\) & SafeLives MARAC review update](#)

Freedom from violence and abuse: a cross-government strategy December 2025

Overview

The Government has set a target of halving violence against women and girls in the next ten years. The strategy recognises that the cultural norms and misogynistic attitudes that enable and inspire this violence permeate all parts of society, from the home, schools and workplaces, to streets, sports and local communities. With one in eight women in England and Wales experiencing domestic abuse, sexual assault or stalking in the year ending March 2025, and an average of almost 200 rapes recorded by police every day in the year ending June 2025, the Government is committing to doing things differently to make Britain safer for women and girls.

The strategy follows the publication of the Crown Prosecution Service's (CPS) Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy that focuses on increasing trust in the CPS's handling of VAWG cases and improving the quality of casework undertaken – see below for more information.

There are three key focus areas in the Government's strategy: prevention and early intervention, the relentless pursuit of perpetrators, and support.

Focus area one: prevention and early intervention

The first focus of the strategy is prevention, looking at addressing the root causes of VAWG, including challenging sexist attitudes, providing a counter to rising misogynistic content online, ensuring teachers and parents are equipped to have conversations with children about healthy relationships, and pushing back on the rise in violent and degrading pornography.

This will involve substantial work with children and schools, giving children the knowledge and confidence to challenge harmful behaviour and creating environments where abuse is never tolerated. Tackling attitudes will be another key element of the strategy, challenging harmful beliefs about power, control, and gender roles.

Other key facets of this work will include:

- Tackling the unprecedented online challenge, countering the harmful narratives spread by influencers that promote sexual entitlement, trivialise consent and normalise abuse, whilst working to remove access to violent and coercive pornography and banning nudification apps.
- Working with schools and education providers to ensure that all young people understand what a healthy, respectful relationship looks like. With changes to the Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) curriculum already happening, the strategy notes that positive conceptions of masculinity and femininity should be developed, and these changes should apply to higher and further education as well as primary and secondary schools.
- Identifying harm early and providing a route for change, ensuring that those working with young people are trained to identify concerning behaviour and intervene to stop escalation.
- Providing wrap-around family support and breaking the cycle of intergenerational abuse by increasing investment in child and family social workers to improve capacity and skills, improving access to early support and advice through best start family hubs, and intervening where harm is present to de-escalate and support families once the perpetrator has left the home.

Focus area two: relentless pursuit of perpetrators

The second focus area in the strategy looks at stopping perpetrators from evading justice. The strategy describes the policing response to these crimes as inconsistent, with poor use of data, intelligence, and technology. When coupled with slow movement through the justice system, this can lead to disengaged victims and perpetrators operating without consequence. The strategy takes a multi-faceted approach to addressing the evasion of justice, citing both the importance of public awareness campaigns to stamp out misogyny and reforming the system to better respond when these crimes are committed.

The key areas for action include:

- Police reform and prioritisation of VAWG, working to change the systemic failures in how VAWG is policed, ensuring VAWG is treated as a core priority at every rank and in every role, moving forward with the National Centre for VAWG and Public Protection, and strengthening the consequences for officers cautioned or convicted for VAWG offences and introducing a requirement to maintain vetting clearance.
- A coordinated approach to ensure that perpetrators are not lost between agencies or jurisdictions.
- Operating with leading technology to pursue VAWG perpetrators, utilising the intelligence-led tools and tactics used to address terrorism and serious and organised crime such as facial recognition tools, rolling out Rapid Video Response models across forces to ensure victims can speak to an officer via immediate secure calls.
- Managing perpetrators in all settings to ensure that further harm is stopped whether the perpetrator is known to the criminal justice system, on probation or in the community with no prior conviction, improving the enforcement of protection orders, investing in the Probation Service, expanding community intervention and intensive case management of perpetrators to support behaviour change and prevent reoffending, and promoting societal change that ensures both social and legal consequences of offending, with the Government stating perpetrators should not be allowed to hold positions of power, privilege or influence.

Focus area three: support

The strategy recognises the profound and long-lasting impact of VAWG on victims and survivors and notes that the current landscape of support is too fragmented, inconsistent, and difficult to navigate. Through the strategy, the Government aims to radically overhaul the support services to build a system that is more joined-up, centred on survivors and fit for purpose.

There are several approaches that the strategy lists to achieve this overhaul, including:

- Radical transformation of the commissioning landscape, with the Government investing £550 million in victim support services over the next three years, publishing a new national commissioning statement to provide clear definitions of “by-and-for” and specialist services, and ensuring one off cash payments remain available to support survivors of domestic abuse to flee their abuser and begin rebuilding their lives.

- Support that understands every victim, recognising that victims experiencing multiple disadvantage face additional barriers to accessing support, investment of £55.8million in a new multiple disadvantage programme to transform the way local public systems respond to people facing or at risk of multiple disadvantage, and a new requirement for police to seek a domestic abuse victim's consent before sharing their information with Immigration Enforcement.
- Therapeutic support for victims of child sexual abuse, utilising the Child House approach so that healthcare, emotional support and multi-agency expertise are brought together under one roof, delivering joined-up, multi-agency safe spaces to support children, their parents and carers.
- Improving experiences of the justice system, bringing forward legislative measures to improve the experience of giving evidence for victims, exploring specialist courts for domestic abuse, supporting the implementation of the CPS's new VAWG strategy, reforming family courts to protect victims of VAWG and stop perpetrators misusing the legal system, and working with the wider justice system to understand how victims of domestic abuse can become criminalised. To ensure the protection of the right to live free from abuse the strategy looks at the importance of housing in securing a safe future with a focus on the Safe Accommodation Duty, the impact of economic abuse and how HM Treasury will work with the Financial Conduct Authority to explore ways to better support victims, and how to support victims to re-enter secure employment when they are looking to rebuild their lives.
- Learning from the tragic deaths of those who are killed in domestic homicide, femicide, suicide and unexplained deaths that occur in the context of VAWG. Continuing to learn from Domestic Homicide Reviews, Prevention of Future Death Reports and Child Safeguarding Practice Review Reports, whilst also looking to embed learning from other femicides that are not covered by existing reviews, to ensure support is improved for victims and survivors and decisive actions can be taken to prevent further loss of life.

Crown Prosecution Service (CPS)

Introducing the CPS's new Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy for 2025-2030

The CPS launched their new VAWG strategy 2025 – 2030 in November 2025. This was a key moment that demonstrates their long-term commitment to improving outcomes for victims and challenging the behaviours and attitudes that enable violence against women and girls.

To read the full strategy please click here [VAWG Strategy 2025-2030 | The Crown Prosecution Service](#)

Crown Prosecution Service public statement on male victims of domestic abuse, rape, sexual offences, stalking, forced marriage, honour-based abuse, child abuse, prostitution, pornography, obscenity and human trafficking with a focus on sexual exploitation 19 November 2025

What is this statement about?

In 2017, the Crown Prosecution Service published the first public statement specifically addressing male victims of domestic abuse, rape, sexual offences, stalking, forced marriage, honour-based abuse, child abuse, prostitution, human trafficking (with a focus on sexual exploitation), pornography and obscenity.

That statement was groundbreaking in recognising that while these crimes disproportionately affect women and girls, men and boys are also victims and face particular barriers to reporting and accessing justice.

As part of the new CPS VAWG Strategy for 2025-2030, the CPS has updated this public statement for male victims of these crimes, building on the commitments they made in 2017 and reflecting what they have learned since then. It has been developed through extensive consultation with male victims and survivors, organisations supporting male victims, criminal justice partners, academic researchers and policy experts.

Anyone can be a victim of these crimes. The CPS want everyone to know they take these crimes seriously, and that they are working to make the criminal justice system more accessible and responsive [Crown Prosecution Service public statement on male victims of domestic abuse, rape, sexual offences, stalking, forced marriage, honour-based abuse, child abuse, prostitution, pornography, obscenity and human trafficking with a focus on sexual exploitation | The Crown Prosecution Service](#)

SafeLives Updates

New research- Routes to Safety.

Too many domestic abuse survivors are slipping through the cracks, and it's putting lives at risk. As part of the 16 Days of the Activism campaign, SafeLives launched their latest research report which shines a light on the broader inequalities faced by survivors of domestic abuse.

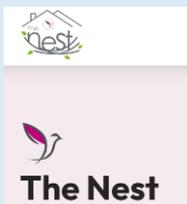
The research reveals how a survivor's identity - including race, disability, age, and sexuality - can shape their experience of abuse, how long it lasts, and how quickly they access support.

The report finds:

- LGBTQ+ survivors are among the least likely to access support and often report higher mental health needs.
- Disabled survivors can face longer periods of abuse, higher risk levels, and worse outcomes.
- Older survivors (51+) from racially minoritised backgrounds experience the longest durations of abuse.
- Younger survivors may experience shorter abuse periods but higher risk at first contact with services.
- White women endure abuse for nearly 6 years before effective support; Asian/Asian British women almost 7.5 years, and Asian/Asian British disabled women nearly 9 years.
- Perpetrators often exploit identity - disability, immigration status, or sexuality - to maintain control.

Read the full report here: [Routes to Safety](#)

The Nest



The Nest, based in Essex, offers person centred residential support for women who have experienced domestic abuse, have used substances to cope with their trauma and need safe accommodation away from their risk area in order to safely rebuild their lives. They are now able to offer one dedicated space for Cambridgeshire residents (excluding Peterborough). Any professional can make a referral, or they will also accept self-referrals. More details and referral form can be found at [The Nest | The Next Chapter](#)

Rape Crisis England & Wales

Rape crisis has had a major campaign win this week. Police officers are no longer able to routinely access rape survivors private counselling notes. This is a significant win for survivors who should not have to choose between pursuing justice and accessing support. [Read more about the campaign](#)

This month it was revealed that the first case involving a self-swab kit was dropped by police, leaving a child victim traumatised. Nobody should have to buy kits, change their behaviour or do anything differently to avoid being raped. It is the rapist who must change.

[Self-swab rape kits | Rape Crisis England & Wales](#)

Business Against Abuse

This is a free training scheme to get businesses working together to prevent sexual harassment and abuse against women and girls.

This training is open to all businesses who feel their staff would benefit and following the training you will be officially accredited by the police as part of 'Businesses Against Abuse' (BAA). There are two dates that you can book on

to: Thursday 22nd January 2026, and Tuesday 10th February 2026. There will be a morning session and an afternoon session on each date.

You will be trained in:

- Spotting vulnerable situations
- Recognising predatory behaviour
- Helping customers who experience abuse and/or predatory behaviour
- Obtaining the required information for the emergency services
- Dealing with situations involving vulnerable people
- Forensic awareness

By taking part in the training, you will be making a commitment to being a safe space for all customers, particularly women and girls. BAA accredited businesses should serve as a place where violence, misogyny, and sexual offences are not tolerated.

Find out more about the BAA here: [Businesses Against Abuse | Cambridgeshire Constabulary](#)

Parking is available at the venue; standard rates will apply.

Tickets can be booked here: [Business Against Abuse](#)

Cambridge United Football Club (CUFC)

CUFC applauded by Government for helping tackle violence against women & girls.

Cambridge United has committed to deepen its work to help tackle violence against women and girls as the Government publishes its new strategy.

Over the last three years Cambridge United, through its charitable Foundation, has been running programmes in schools across the city to help change attitudes amongst boys and young men towards women and girls.

The programme called **Pledge United** was originally pioneered by Inspire, a charity based in Indonesia, and has since been adapted through partnership with Cambridge United Foundation for implementation in UK schools. It aims to challenge stereotypes and prejudice and to change attitudes amongst boys at a formative age. It has run in 5 Cambridge schools with over 170 boys taking part to date and initial research conducted post programme has shown a significant impact in helping change attitudes and giving participants more confidence to speak up. Members of the Cambridge United first team have been actively involved in the sessions with young people.

They are pleased that through new funding from the English Football League in The Community (EFLiTC) they will now be able to expand the programme from 5 schools to over 15 from the start of the 2025-26 academic year. They will also be working with Watford and Northampton Town to help them deliver the programme in their areas alongside commissioning a formal piece of research from Anglia Ruskin University to evaluate this work over the coming year.

Jess Phillips, Minister for Safeguarding and Violence Against Women and Girls at the Home Office said:

"I applaud Cambridge United for its leadership within football on tackling violence against women and girls.

We know that football and other sports can provide a unique pathway to reach young men in new spaces, for them to have different and more sensitive conversations.

The Government's new Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy will use every lever available to us to make a difference in this area and across wider society. We all have a part to play in tackling this issue and keeping women and girls safe."

Vicky Neal, Head of the Cambridge United Foundation said:

"We are proud of the leadership role Cambridge United Foundation has been playing in this vitally important area within football and are very grateful for the new funding from EFLiTC to help us expand Pledge United further.

This is an issue for all society to help address and we know we can play our own unique part in reaching boys and young men through the 'power of the badge' and what we represent. We remain very grateful to Jon Hamilton and Inspire Indonesia who developed this programme and have done so much to lead this work globally."

Dr. Harley-Jean Simpson, Senior Lecturer at Anglia Ruskin University and Head of Research at Cambridge United said:

"We are very pleased to be supporting Cambridge United in this important work. We know it is already making a difference in changing minds and attitudes, and we look forward to conducting a more formal piece of research through Anglia Ruskin University to see what more we can learn."

Recently, Cambridge United player Liam Bennett visited Pledge United session:

[Pledge United sessions as part of EFL's Week of Action.](#)

Embrace

Trauma Informed Support for Children Affected by Domestic Abuse in Peterborough & Cambridgeshire

Embrace, Child Victim of Crime (CVoC) is providing vital emotional help to children and young people in Peterborough & Cambridgeshire who have been affected by domestic abuse.

The service offers short-term emotional support and counselling, delivering up to 10 sessions for children and young people aged **7 to 18 years**. The support is designed to help young people understand and process their experiences, build emotional resilience and improve wellbeing.

Children are eligible for the service provided they are not in direct contact with the perpetrator of the abuse, ensuring that support is delivered in a safe and appropriate environment. All referrals received by the service are **carefully triaged to assess suitability**, helping to ensure that children receive the right level of support at the right time.

Referrals can be made by professionals including **social workers, Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs)** and the **Victims Hub**. This professional referral pathway helps identify children who may be struggling with the emotional impact of domestic abuse and would benefit from early intervention.

Referrals can be made here <https://embracecvoc.org.uk/refer-a-child/>

Please ensure you have gained parental consent to refer prior to making a referral to us for support. Domestic abuse can have a significant and long-lasting effect on children and young people. This service recognises the importance of early emotional support in helping to reduce trauma and promote healing.

By offering a safe space to talk and access structured emotional support, the service aims to help children and young people regain confidence, develop coping strategies and move forward positively.

Restored

Raising awareness of the realities of domestic abuse and advocating for survivors is crucial to the mission of Restored. They train and resource churches to respond to domestic abuse in communities and are growing a network of Restored Beacon Churches.

If you would like to find out more about how your church could get involved the next free webinar is 12th March 12.00 – 13.00 [Sign up here](#)

For more information on the work they do please visit their website [Home – Restored](#)

Hope into Action

Hope into Action is an award-winning charity that partners with local churches to open homes for those experiencing homelessness across the UK.

Mother & Baby House in St Neots

This is a 2-bedroom property in St Neots with space for 2 women either pregnant or with a young child - they have their own bedroom then share the amenities in the house.

This is for women 18+ experiencing homelessness, it is independent living and doesn't offer the same level of support as a mother and baby unit.

Weekly meetings are offered with a support worker and a befriender from the church. Although this is faith-based, this is not part of the support unless the client wants to discuss faith.

They also have female only accommodation for 5 women across Cambridge

There are no waiting lists, when a room becomes available applications are looked at and are prioritised on the current need.

For more information, please visit the website:

[Hope Into Action UK](#)

Email:

cambridge@hopeintoaction.org.uk

For a referral form please click here:

[Hope into Action Accommodation Referral Form](#)

New Target Hardening Provider for Cambridgeshire

Target Hardening is a term used to describe security measures taken to reduce the risk of crime. It is an important part of domestic abuse support services, and can include fitting locks, installing security measures, or providing security advice.

From 1st January 2026 Specialist DASV services in Cambridgeshire will be using a new target hardening provider, Safe Partnership, for victims receiving support from their service.

[Home | Safe Partnership Ltd, Safety Security Sanctuary](#)

In Peterborough the provider will continue to be Secure Horizon (formerly 24/7 Locks)

The Angels Foundation UK

Information from Carloine Deeprise, CEO The Angels Foundation UK

The Angels Foundation UK has historically provided **12 weeks of FREE specialist domestic abuse counselling and therapy** to all survivors accessing our services.

Due to a significant increase in demand, particularly from survivors who need more than a “listening ear” and require **specialist trauma-informed support for complex needs**, we are no longer able to sustain this model of fully free provision.

To continue delivering **safe, ethical and high-quality domestic abuse counselling**, we must ensure our services remain sustainable long-term.

The level of need now requires a larger team of **qualified and experienced therapists** who can provide consistent therapeutic support and specialist interventions, including care for survivors experiencing complex trauma.

Why we are introducing low-cost charges

Introducing low-cost fees allows us to respond responsibly to rising demand **without compromising quality or safety**.

We also recognise that investing, even modestly, in therapy can support a survivor’s sense of **worth, agency and commitment** to their healing journey. This approach reflects the value of the work being undertaken and honours the courage it takes to engage in therapy.

Importantly, **every contribution made towards counselling is reinvested directly back into our services**, enabling us to:

- Employ and support qualified therapeutic professionals
- Maintain safe, high-quality counselling provision
- Expand capacity to reach more survivors
- Sustain long-term support within our local community

By introducing low-cost fees, we are strengthening our ability to support survivors not just today, but **for years to come**.

We remain deeply committed to **accessibility, compassion and dignity**, and we will continue working with individuals and partner organisations to ensure support remains available for those who need it most.

Referrals & Updated Fee Structure

To make a referral, and to view our updated fee structure (including the **Specialist Concessionary Therapy Pathway for Referred Clients**), please visit:

<https://angelsfoundation.org.uk/counselling-and-therapy>

With thanks for your continued support.

Any questions or for more information please contact:

Caroline Deeprise; CEO & Founder support@angelsfoundation.org.uk

Peterborough Women's Aid



During 2025 Peterborough Women's Aid celebrated 50 years with a target to raise £50,000. They are delighted to have smashed this, raising a massive £59640!

At the end of 2025, they received confirmation that Peterborough City Council will continue to fund their refuge provision. This means they can open more refuges across the city and support more families in need of safe accommodation.

Free groups have been launched for any women in Peterborough – Just pop along.

Peterborough Women's Aid
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Every Thursday at
1pm beginning 8th
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Peterborough,
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OWN MY LIFE

The Own My Life Course helps women to make sense of what has been done to them and gives them the skills to move forward

"YOU'VE GOT ALL THESE PEOPLE WHO THINK YOU'RE SILLY FOR GOING BACK OR STAYING WITH HIM AND THIS COURSE HELPS YOU TO KNOW WHY AND KNOW THAT YOU'RE NORMAL."

 **On Line every Thursday at 6pm**

 **Every Wednesday in person at 10am**

register at www.peterboroughwomensaid.co.uk



WE ARE OPEN

Monday	1pm Bums and Tums
Tuesday	Women Warriors 10.30-12pm
Wednesday	Own My Life 10am
Thursday	1pm Journalling and meditation
Friday	Women Warriors with aprons!! 10.30 - 12pm

Please ring the doorbell. If no one is available please call 01733 894964

The list of services available continues to expand to support as many victims of abuse as possible.

- Safe Accommodation
- E-scape - working with children and young people
- Peacock Project - supporting all victims of abuse
- Dahlia Project - Specialist support for victims from the South Asian Community
- Lithuanian Service - Specialist support for Lithuanian Women
- County wide support - working at the Victim and Witness Hub we contact all victims who are assessed as medium risk within 3 days

For more information, please visit the website: [Peterborough Women's Aid](http://www.peterboroughwomensaid.co.uk)

Job Opportunities

Peterborough Women's Aid

Part time Refuge Support Worker

We currently have an opportunity for a Refuge Support Worker to join Peterborough Women's Aid. This role is based in Peterborough and is part time, 22.5 hours per week. The annual salary is £16458. Applications close on Monday January 26th at 5pm

You will work closely with families who have fled abuse and now reside out our refuge. You will offer practical and emotional support to these families and welcoming safe environment

You will work closely within a team in a fast-paced environment making quick informed decisions to ensure the safety of victims of domestic abuse.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities:

- Provide practical and emotional support to women and children living in our refuges. Including, completing safety planning, compiling support plans and undertaking regular key working sessions.
- Assessing referrals to the refuge to ensure that we can meet their needs.
- Welcoming new residents, explaining policies and procedures and completing entry paperwork.
- Ensuring vacant rooms are prepared and re-let as soon as possible.
- Maintaining accurate and up-to-date casework records.
- Establishing the risks to, and needs of, the residents assessing their practical and emotional support needs and using this information to formulate support plans.
- Support clients to access appropriate benefits, apply for housing and access legal advice, as required and attending appointments to support and advocate for clients, if needed.
- Ensuring that any safeguarding concerns are immediately raised with your line manager.
- Facilitating and running group work programmes.
- Establish and maintain positive relationships with partner agencies.
- Attend and participate in staff team meetings.
- Contribute to planning, development and evaluation of the service.
- Maintain confidentiality and work within PWA's code of conduct and all other policies and procedures.
- Participate in the on-call rota, providing evening and weekend support.
- Complete awareness and educational talks to community groups and organisations, as required.
- To undertake any other reasonable duties as requested by your line manager.

We are an Equal Opportunities organisation. This role is exempt under the Equality Act 2010 pursuant to Schedule 9, Part 1. As such we can only consider applications from women.

For more information and a contact form, please visit:

<https://peterboroughwomensaid.co.uk/vacancies/refuge-support-worker>

Housekeeper and Cleaner

House Keeper and cleaner

Hours: 17 hours per week

Salary: £11889

Contract type: Permanent

Location: Peterborough

Closing date: Monday 16th February

Interviews: TBC

We currently have an opportunity for a House Keeper and Cleaner to join Peterborough Women's Aid.

As Housekeeper you will have a pivotal role in the smooth running of our refuges. This includes cleaning, planning and organising maintenance of interior décor, furniture and furnishings, and some maintenance of the garden. Also ensuring rooms are ready for new families, maintaining emergency food and supplies, welcome packs and emergency clothing.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities:

- Attend to the regular maintenance and general upkeep of the refuges
- Complete the weekly tasks given by the Safe Accommodation Manager
- Clean and encourage the residents to actively participate in the day to day cleaning of the refuges
- Ensure that any repairs and renewals are noted and reported to the Safe Accommodation
- Ensure family rooms are prepared for new residents as soon as possible after their departure (usually within 48 hours)
- Maintain emergency food supplies/cleaning materials
- Attend weekly worker meetings and highlight any works taking place or visitors attending that week.
- Complete daily, weekly, and monthly health and safety checks and ensure that any issues are reported to the refuge manager.
- Keep an accurate and up to date maintenance log
- To undertake any other reasonable duties as requested by your line manager.

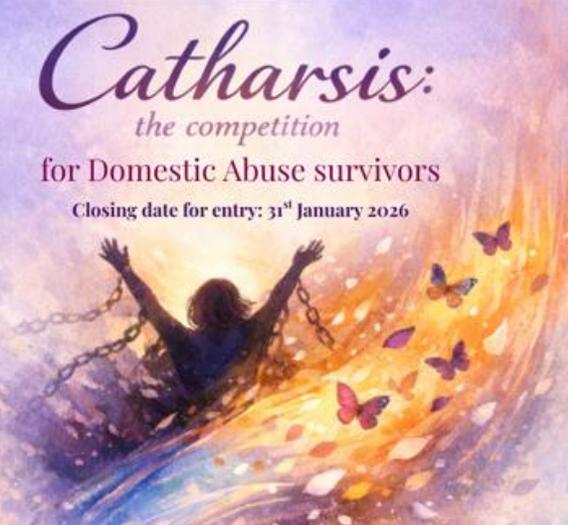
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<https://peterboroughwomensaid.co.uk/vacancies/housekeeper-and-cleaner>

Living Keys & Peterborough Women's Aid Poetry & Art

Living Keys & Peterborough Women's Aid invite survivors of domestic abuse to share their journey through poetry, visual art or mixed media



Catharsis:
the competition
for Domestic Abuse survivors

Closing date for entry: 31st January 2026

Your story matters
Your voice deserves to be heard

We invite survivors of domestic abuse to express their journey through poetry, visual art, or mixed media and transform pain into power and healing through creativity.

Why Participate:

- Share your story on your own terms
- Reclaim your voice through art
- All entries will be considered for publication in our subsequent book release and display in our exhibition
- Help raise awareness and challenge stigma

How to submit:

Poetry & digital artwork email to:
charis@livingkeys.co.uk

Physical artwork (hand-delivered) to:
Peterborough Women's Aid (ask for Hayley)
Anne's Home,
22-24 Cromwell Road,
Peterborough.

Please include with your submission:

- Title of your piece
- Whether you want to be published under your name, pseudonym, or anonymously

In conjunction with:



All submissions are handled with confidentiality, respect, and care. Please contact Living Keys or Women's Aid if you require further support in your journey.

You are not alone. Your voice is strength. Your art is healing.