

# WARWICKSHIRE AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE

## NEWSLETTER

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2008

WELCOME to the seventh edition of the Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse newsletter. We hope you find the information and articles useful and informative. If you have anything you would like us to include in a future edition, from now on please contact Sue Ingram, Domestic Abuse Manager, on 01926 746818, or email [sueingram@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:sueingram@warwickshire.gov.uk). I am leaving my role here today due to my relocation to Surrey; Sue is therefore your contact for this newsletter going forward. Please email Sue any items to be included in the next issue by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Please forward this newsletter onto any colleagues you think may wish to receive it, or contact Sue with names and email addresses of anyone to be added to the circulation list. This newsletter is also available to download from the "Professionals" page of [www.talk2someone.org.uk](http://www.talk2someone.org.uk)

Best wishes and a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!  
Tracey Davis

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## NEWS ITEMS

### National DA TV advert

Please find attached a joint Home Office and ACPO press notice regarding the national Domestic Violence Enforcement Campaign and Domestic Abuse advert, which has just been sent to the media by the Home Office. The TV advert has come about as a result of the Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse campaign launched in June this year. One of the Warwickshire agencies who pitched for the design element of the work suggested a TV advert and it was felt this would be more appropriate to take forward nationally. Now several months later it has come to fruition. Please look out for the advert on Channel 5 this Christmas.

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT IN ACCOMPANYING EMAIL

### Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse Christmas Campaign

The Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse Christmas campaign, launched on 25 November aimed at encouraging perpetrators of domestic abuse to do something to change their behaviour is now well underway. Press releases will be emailed to you and added to the professionals sections of the [www.talk2someone.org.uk](http://www.talk2someone.org.uk) as they are issued. Please contact Hazel Nicholas on 01926 415065/Sue Ingram if you have any ideas for positive releases around addressing the behaviour of perpetrators.

## **Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse to launch 'Smashing night in' after Christmas**

Thank you for your feedback on the design for the third phase of the the Warwickshire Against Domestic Abuse campaign due to be launched in mid January. Wherever possible, your comments have been incorporated into the final design and we did receive some very useful feedback so thank you to all those who responded. This phase aims to encourage victims to seek help if not for themselves for their children at a time of year when they may be more willing to talk to someone about their situation. As well as A4 and A3 posters with tear off slips, please look out for billboard adverts. The marketing will be supported by media releases.

PLEASE SEE THREE ATTACHMENTS IN ACCOMPANYING EMAIL

## **Crimestoppers launch Domestic Abuse Campaign**

Please find draft press release and information attached below. This campaign is separate to the WADA campaign and because of the WADA campaign only a limited number of marketing items have been distributed in Warwickshire. The aim of the Crimestoppers campaign is to raise general awareness of Domestic Violence and to attract and increase third parties giving information to Crimestoppers on Domestic Violence with the aim to increase early identification and intervention.

PLEASE SEE TWO ATTACHMENTS IN ACCOMPANYING EMAIL

## **Optional Protocol to the UN Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women**

Justice Minister Michael Wills has made a statement on the publication of an independent review of a protocol that allows women to take complaints directly to the United Nations if they believe their rights have been violated.

[Click here to read the Justice Minister's statement](#)

## **Survivor Arts Exhibition 2009**

The University of Birmingham is inviting submissions of work for selection to the third Survivor Arts Exhibition at the Institute of Applied Social Studies. They are happy to consider pieces from anyone who might describe themselves as a 'survivor' (for example, living with a disability/mental ill health, survived domestic violence, sleeping rough or seeking asylum). A variety of art forms, will be accepted. The exhibition will be hung in the Institute at the University ready to open in January 2009.

Contact:

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## Safeguarding adults: a consultation on the review of the 'No Secrets' guidance

The Department of Health, the Home Office and the Ministry of Justice have launched the national consultation on the review of the No Secrets guidance. This is a consultation about whether there is a need to review the 'No Secrets' guidance, in light of personalisation in social care and developments in the criminal justice system.

**Closing date:** 31 January 2009

[Click here for more information](#)

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Family violence in primary care

**Summary:** Aims to provide GP's and primary health care professionals with a framework for responding effectively to all aspects of family violence; child abuse, domestic violence and elder abuse. Looks at the three areas of presentation, diagnosis and treatment and suggests ways forward for early detection and prevention.

**Publication details:** Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003 pp 427

**ISBN:** 0192628283

**Authors:** Amiel, Stephen ed., and Heath, Iona ed.

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## TRAINING

### Forced marriage: the new law – Free training in Warwickshire!

As part of a developing programme of training around domestic abuse, Warwickshire County Council have arranged for Rights of Women to deliver multi-agency training in Warwickshire on the new Forced Marriage Civil Protection Act that came into force in November 2008. This practical new course will provide an essential understanding of the new forced marriage civil protection orders and how women and organisations can apply for them. All participants will receive a copy of Rights of Women's latest publication **Pathways to Justice: BMER women, violence and the law.**

**Nuneaton 20<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

**Warwick 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009**

The training is CPD accredited by the Law Society and Bar Council.  
Further details to follow shortly.

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## RESOURCES

### **Making Sense of: Domestic Violence**

IDeA has published a case study looking at the approaches to the issue of domestic violence that are proven to work, including:

- The Coordinated Community Response model
- Prevention and early intervention
- Key role for health services
- The WORTH (Ways of Responding through Health) Project, West Sussex
- Local and national publicity campaigns
- Education in schools and colleges for young people

It also looks at the support available to victims and outlines why these approaches work.

[Click here to read the Making Sense Of: Domestic Violence case study](#)

### **The survivor's handbook.**

**Summary:** Provides practical support and information for women experiencing domestic violence, with simple guidance on every aspect of seeking support. Includes a section on domestic violence and making arrangements for children after separation.

**Publication details:** Women's Aid Federation of England (WAFE), 2007 pp 107

**Authors:** Barron, Jackie