

Children Partnership Newsletter

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Solihull's revised MARF is now live!



Solihull's [MARF](#) form has been reviewed and updated. The improvements to the form have been consulted upon and agreed across the Safeguarding Partnership. The [parental engagement and consent guide](#) has also been updated which sits alongside this to provide additional information and assurance about our expectations when a referral is considered.

Solihull Workforce and volunteers survey for Child Sexual Abuse practice

On behalf of Solihull Domestic Abuse/ Sexual Abuse Board and Solihull Safeguarding Children Partnership

We are working together to implement the Centre of Expertise on [Child Sexual Abuse response pathway](#) into the West Midlands multi-agency safeguarding procedures, and embed it in Solihull multi-agency practice, to create a consistent approach for any children who are experiencing any type of sexual abuse.

This is a start of a journey, and if you work or volunteer in Solihull, we would value your involvement and invite you to complete this [survey](#), designed to understand your confidence and experience when recognising and responding to child sexual abuse.

Your responses are confidential and will be used to guide decisions to achieve a more timely, sensitive, and coherent multi-agency response to child sexual abuse. The survey is available at <https://forms.office.com/e/rxga0Lz9Xa?origin=lprLink> or by scanning the QR code above.



Tackling emerging needs at the earliest opportunity



Early Help Assessment Update from Children's Services

We're pleased to advise, that following feedback, the Early Help Assessment has been updated. This is to better capture the breadth and impact of the work being done with children, young people, and families in your services. The new web form is now live [here \(CLEHA\)](#). Guidance can be found [here \(guidance\)](#). A Word version is also available on request.

Thank you for your continued commitment to early help—your contributions are making a real difference.

We're proud to share that 27% of our Early Help Assessments are now being completed by partners across the system, and we've just reached our 100th submission—a fantastic milestone that reflects the strength of our collective efforts! Completing an Early Help Assessment remains a key part of identifying needs early and ensuring families receive the right support at the right time.

We've seen the positive impact this can have and families consistently express appreciation for the practical and emotional support they receive through Early Help, with families reporting feeling better equipped to manage challenges & supported in making positive changes.

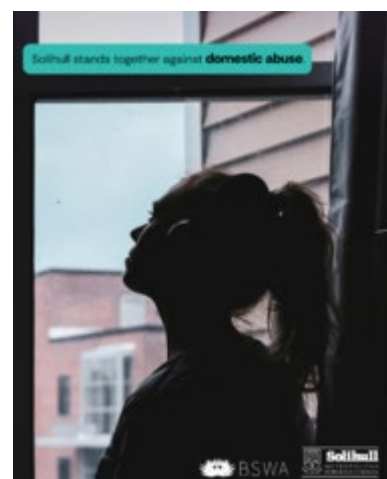
New domestic abuse awareness campaign - Partner Pack.

Solihull's Domestic Abuse Partnership Board are asking for your support with Solihull Council's new domestic abuse awareness campaign.

The campaign aims to raise the profile of local advice, information, and support services, while challenging misconceptions about domestic abuse.

A partner pack has been developed with materials for you to share across your channels. To access and download the materials please click [here](#). These include:

- An information and referral guide
- Information card
- Website banner
- 10x A4 posters
- Social media graphics (with and without text)
- Social Media captions



BSWA 6 week Domestic Abuse course for women living in Solihull



Birmingham and Solihull Women's Aid are pleased to announce the first cohort of BSWA six week 'Own My Life' Course which will be starting from 19th September 2025.

The BSWA Own My Life Course is an innovative, creative, awareness course for women who have been subjected to Domestic Abuse. The aim of the course to raise domestic abuse awareness and for women to regain ownership over their lives.

Please note: Spaces are limited, so we strongly encourage women who may be interested to call the Helpline 0808 800 0028 or email solihull.admin@bswaid.org as soon as possible to secure their place.

To prioritise women's safety, the venue details will not be publicly advertised. This information will be shared directly with women who self-refer via the Helpline.

Referrals: We only accept direct referrals from women. However, if you are a professional seeking more information about the course, please feel free to call the Helpline on 0808 800 0028 or email solihull.admin@bswaid.org.

BSWA kindly ask if you could disseminate this email to your colleagues/teams or extended Partners.

Training and Development

SSCP Training

There are still spaces on the following **FREE** SSCP training courses:

Safeguarding Practice Learning Forum - focusing on Exploring the protective effects of relationships' taking place on 23/09/25 14:00-16:00 at Solihull Council House. To book a place before registration closes on 19/09/25 please click [here](#)



Module 3 - Child Protection: The challenges of multi-agency working taking place on 30/09/25 09:30-16:30 at Solihull Council House, to book a place before registration closes on 15/09/25 please click [here](#)

Module 6 - Neglect: Impact on child development taking place on 01/10/25 09:30-16:30 at Solihull Council House. To book a place before registration closes on 15/09/25 please click [here](#)

If you are working with anyone where there are concerns about harm outside of the home the following courses are available to support you in your work.

Module 5.1 - Virtual training - an introduction to contextual safeguarding taking place 07.10.25 09:30 - 12:30 online via Teams. To book a place before registration closed on 03.10.25 please click [here](#)

Module 5.2 Virtual training- Parents as partners in tackling child exploitation (CE): Working with and supporting parents affected by CE taking place on 23.10.25 online via Teams. To book a place before booking closes on 23.9.25 please click [here](#)

Module 5.3 - Including contextual safeguarding in individual assessments taking place on 21.10.25 at the Council House 09:30 - 13:30. To book a place before registration closes on 21.9.25 please click [here](#)

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sscp@solihull.gov.uk

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visit <https://www.safeguardingsolihull.org.uk/lscp/>

To access multi-agency training provided by the SSCP, please

visit <https://training.solihullscp.co.uk/Learning-and-Development.aspx>



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