

Nottingham and UK history of key events in Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse: March 2013

Year	Local Services and initiatives	Local good practice, policy, strategy and needs assessments	National developments, policy, strategy and significant reports	Legislation
1971			Chiswick refuge opened – first in UK	
1972				
1973				
1974	Central Womens Aid refuge established Nottingham		Women's Aid Federation England established	
1975			Government Select Committee on violence in marriage recommended 1 refuge place per 10,000 population	
			Rights Of Women legal advice and training centre founded London	
1976				Domestic violence Bill (Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Proceedings Act)
1977				Housing Act acknowledges domestic violence as a cause of homelessness
1978	Rushcliffe Womens Aid refuge opened and subsequently closed			Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates Court Act
	Nottingham Womens Centre opened on Shakespeare St home to groups which became Rape Crisis and Womens Aid Advice Centre			

1979			Southall Black Sisters founded to challenge domestic and gender violence particularly against Black women	
1980	Nottingham Rape Crisis counselling line established			
	Nottingham Womens Aid Advice Centre phone line and drop in established			
1981				
1982				
1983				Matrimonial Homes Act
1984	Nottingham East refuge opened (closed 2009)			
1985	Roshni Asian Womens Aid launched (refuge closed 2011) Outreach services still delivered			
1986				
1987	Nottingham Womens Centre moved to Chaucer Street		First National domestic violence help line established by Women's Aid Federation England	
1988				Housing Act 1988
1989	Nottinghamshire Domestic Violence Forum launched in partnership with local statutory and voluntary agencies			Childrens Act 1989
1990			Law Commission Enquiry into domestic violence	
1991			First National Inter-agency working party on domestic violence	Rape in Marriage criminalised in England

1992	Nottingham Agenda voluntary male perpetrators programme established (closed 2003)			
	National Perpetrator Programme Network established			
1993			Home Affairs Select Committee into domestic violence	
1994	Umuada Womens Aid refuge established for African Caribbean women and children		Women's Aid Federation England and Home Office first national publicity campaign	
1995	Childrens Workers in refuges posts established		National Postcard Campaign by Body Shop	
1996	NDVF quarterly seminar and domestic violence awareness training programme established		Why mothers die: report on confidential enquiries into maternal deaths in the United Kingdom 1994-1996 (including domestic violence) published by the DoH	Family Law Act Part IV gives more effective civil remedies and automatic power of arrest
1997	Nottinghamshire County Council domestic violence policy officer post established		Greater London Domestic Violence Project established and became AVA (Against Violence and Abuse) in 2010	Protection from Harassment Act
				Crime and Disorder Act
1998			Women's Aid Federation England publish Families without Fear the precursor to the first National Strategy	
			Counting the Costs Stanko published report on financial cost of domestic violence to	

			public	
1999	Nottingham City Council establish first domestic violence policy officer post		Government launch Living Without Fear first National Strategy	
2000	First Free phone 24 hour helpline in the UK launched in Nottingham by Womens Aid	Mental health and domestic violence policy for Nottingham City Council	National health and domestic violence campaign launched by DoH	
	Nottingham Interagency domestic violence awareness campaign launched – Free From Fear included first TV adverts about domestic violence	Children and domestic violence sub group established	Standing Together Against domestic violence launched and initiated the Co-ordinated Response Against domestic violence	
	Nottingham Black and Red information cards launched including in community languages (adopted by DoH)	Nottingham City Council Best practice developed on domestic violence and social care (children and adults)		
	NDVF training and seminar programme launched	Housing and domestic violence subgroup established		
	Respect established (national perpetrator and male victims agency)	Nottingham City Council domestic violence strategy group established		
2001	Amber House refuge established (North refuge closed)	Area Working Groups on domestic violence established		
2002	NDVF first schools project launched (Educator project)	Police Domestic Violence Policy published	Broken Rainbow helpline for LGBT survivors of domestic violence established	Children and Adoption Act (including domestic violence)
			Stella Project launched in London to improve understanding and practice across Domestic Violence and Drug and Alcohol	

			Services	
2003	TRI male perpetrator project launched at NDVF	Nottingham City Council Homeless Strategy including domestic violence launched	Hitting Home National Campaign	Anti Social Behaviour Act (Civil powers for local authorities can be used against perpetrators)
	NDVF sign up to National White Ribbon Campaign lead by men against domestic violence	Nottingham Health Action Zone includes domestic violence action plan		
	NDVF Male Perpetrators Good Practice Guidance developed		National Free phone 24 hour helpline launched	
	NDVF Impact Project working with hard to reach young people launched			
2004	NDVF Male Victims Good Practice Guidance developed	Nottingham City Council Employee Domestic Violence policy published	Women's Aid Federation England Refuges on line launched	Domestic Violence Crime and Victims Act
	Respect launched minimum standards for perpetrator programmes	Nottingham City Council Corporate domestic violence strategy launched	Local Government Association domestic violence consultation	
	Police Domestic Abuse Support Unit launched	Housing Policy published	Specialist Domestic Violence Courts launched nationally	
	Family Care Time 4U therapeutic programme for children launched	Supporting People Strategy developed	National Rape Crisis Federation launched	
	Nottingham Open Door outreach service for survivors developed into the Outreach Service		Stella Toolkit launched (substance misuse and domestic violence)	
	Womens Aid Outreach Project launched		Crown Prosecution Service use of expert witness testimony policy launched	

2005		Nottingham City Council sets Local Area Agreements domestic violence targets	Women's Aid Federation England Body Shop survivors handbook launched	
		Nottingham City Council set BVPI 225 targets	National BVPI 225 domestic violence targets set for all local authorities	
		Disability and domestic violence Good Practice Guidance developed by NDVF for local partners	Co-ordinated Action Against Domestic Abuse (CAADA) launched	
		NDVF undertook Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) audit of all local refuges	Department of Health Domestic Violence Handbook published	
			Bristol midwifery training rolled out nationally	
		Nottingham Primary Care Trust publishes health domestic violence policy	End Violence Against Women (EVAW) established	
			Crown Prosecution Service second edition of domestic violence policy	
2006	Sanctuary Scheme launched	LCJB establish domestic violence action delivery group	National policy of Co-ordinated Community Response to domestic violence launched	Gender Equality Duty
	Integrated Domestic Abuse Programme for perpetrators with Womens Safety Scheme launched in Nottingham	PCT develop domestic violence action plan		
	SDVC planning starts	PCT publish domestic violence policy		
	Women's Aid Federation England National Service	GOEM establish regional domestic violence working		

	Standards for domestic and sexual violence services published	group (ended in 2010)		
2007	Nottingham PCT employee specialist domestic abuse nurse post established	Nottingham City Council review of refuge services and options appraisal completed	Mental Health Bill regulatory impact assessment: revised version June 2007 (includes domestic violence)	Forced Marriage Civil Protection Act
	Nottinghamshire Sexual Assault Referral Centre (Topaz)launched		Stella Toolkit 2 nd edition launched (substance misuse and domestic violence)	
	Shine domestic violence floating support project launched			
	Safe contact centre launched (closed 2 years later)			
	Happy Days play project for refuges and hostels launched (has now closed)			
	SDVC launched in Nottingham (ISVA's)			
	MARAC launched in Nottingham with IDVA's			
2008	Women's Institute launches campaign against domestic violence	Good Practice Guidance on children and domestic violence launched by Safeguarding Board	Making the Links first national report on impact of domestic violence on disabled women launched	
	Shine womens floating support scheme established by NCHA	Domestic violence JSNA completed	Mental Health Act 2007: guidance on the extension of victims' rights under the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004	
	NDVF launch Respect not Fear First website for young		Sane Responses toolkit launched (good practice	

	people on domestic violence and subsequently the GREAT website for younger children		guidance for domestic violence and mental health services)	
	Pet Fostering Project launched by Women's Aid			
2009	More IDVAs appointed to support Nottingham City MARAC	Good Practice Guidance on substance misuse and domestic violence launched	Improving Safety and Reducing Harm, children, young people and domestic violence (DoH)	
	PCT commissioned NUH emergency department specialist domestic abuse nurse		Findings of the Forced Marriage IDVA pilot (Dept Justice)	
	Stronger Families therapeutic programme for children and their mums launched		Together we can End violence Against Women and Girls National Strategy	
			Partner exploitation and violence in teenage intimate relationships report published	
2010	Nottinghamshire Mental Health Care Trust establish domestic violence post	Second Domestic Violence JSNA completed	Women's Aid Federation England Real Man campaign	
	AVA project domestic, sexual violence substance misuse and mental health launched building on Stella Project	PCT launch health domestic violence Pledge for all health agencies signed by Chief Officers	Health Task force on the impact of domestic violence on womens health report published	
	Empowerment project pilot (joint work with children and young people affected by domestic violence , substance misuse and being young	Safer Notts Board establish strategy group	Freedom Programme launched	

	carers) began and ended			
	National Mens Advice Line for male victims launched by Respect			
2011	Nottinghamshire Domestic Violence Forum GREAT project in schools launched		Sojourner Project for women with no recourse to public funds piloted	
			Sexualisation of Young People report	
			Girls affected by gangs report	
	NDVF Whole School Approach Launched		Call to End Violence Against Women and Girls national strategy and action plan launched	
	Zola BMER refuge launched		Commissioning services for women and children who experience violence or abuse – a guide for health commissioners published	
	NDVF first iPhone application on domestic violence developed	Domestic and Sexual Violence Strategic Needs Assessment completed	Family Justice Review impact on children (Dept Justice)	
	NDVF male IDVA post established		Stern Review on Rape published by Home Office	
			CPS guidance on prosecution of domestic violence cases	
			CPS guide for victims of domestic violence	
2012	Man Enough Campaign Launched	Nottinghamshire Police Authority domestic violence review	New definition of domestic violence proposed by the Home Office	Implementation of section 13/14 of crime and victims act
	Aspley Whole Community	Victim Support review of	Domestic violence Homicide	

	Approach Campaign launched	victims and survivors experience	Reviews established	
	Domestic Abuse Referral Team launched		Domestic violence protection orders piloted	
	Girls affected by Gangs pilot		Claire's Law piloted (Disclosure Scheme)	
	IRIS health project Womens Aid working with GP's launched		UK border agency responsible for funding places for women with no recourse	
	DHR policy adopted and first Nottingham DHR undertaken		Striking the Balance: Practical Guidance on the application of Caldicott Guardian Principles to Domestic Violence and MARACs (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences)	
	Domestic Abuse Repeats Panel piloted (DAR / CDAP)		Consultation on criminalisation of forced marriage	
			Standing Together publish a new edition of the Guide to Effective Partnerships	
			United National Convention on Violence Against Women	
2013	Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub launch planned	Nottinghamshire Health Care Trust domestic violence strategy planned	Changes in Welfare Benefits will impact on refuges and other domestic violence services	
	Integrated Offender Management (Police, Probation) project launch		Reduction in access to Legal Aid will impact on survivors capacity to take	

	planned		legal action	
			Closing Magistrates Courts has impacted on SDVC	

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