



Domestic Violence Performance Report

Quarter 1 2011-12

(April – June 2011)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Performance against the SSP action plan and targets is currently on track; all of the actions are ongoing and both targets are currently green.
2. Police data shows that crimes, incidents and repeat victims have all reduced this quarter compared to last year. Arrests have also reduced in line with this, but the detection rate has increased.
3. The conviction rate and the rate of discontinued cases have seen a reduction, but data is only for two months with time for improvements throughout the year.
4. Referrals to Harbour have remained constant, with the majority of referrals coming from the Police Vulnerability Unit, followed by self referrals and CESC.
5. Harbour clients are mainly females aged between 25 – 44 years who live in rented accommodation.
6. Both Stockton Town Centre and Newtown ward have more than twice the borough average from DV incidents, crimes and harbour referrals and account for almost a quarter overall.
7. Three rolling Freedom Programmes have ran this quarter with 65 women completing.
8. Referrals to Children's Outreach have increase dramatically compared to the same period last year.
9. The number of referrals to the Refuge has increased by more than a third this quarter those declined due to lack of space has reduced by 5%. However, the overall occupancy rate reduced by 3%.
10. Although the number of referrals to the Perpetrator Programme has remained consistent with last year, the number failing to attend any sessions has seen a big increase and the numbers in assessment, on the group and those completing has seen a reduction.
11. For the Probation CDVP, there has been a reduction in the number of orders made and programmes commenced, but the number of programme completions has doubled.
12. The number of referrals to the CESC first contact team has reduced and the % of ongoing cases has also reduced by more than half this quarter. The % NFA'd following assessment has doubled.
13. There were 34 DV related approaches to housing options in the current quarter; five less than the same period last year.
14. Referrals to the Safe at Home scheme have reduced significantly compared to last year, due to the scheme not being publicised until funding had been secured.
15. In total 10% of assault presentations at North Tees A&E were reported as domestic. The majority of patients were female aged 25 – 34 years and none made more than one visit to A&E in the three-month period.



INTRODUCTION

Domestic Violence forms part of the overall key priority of Violence for the Safer Stockton Partnership for 2011-14. An action plan has been developed for this financial year and two of the Violence targets relate to Domestic Violence. Both the actions and targets relating to Domestic Violence are shown below.

ACTION PLAN

No	ACTION	UPDATE
3	<p>Extend the Integrated Offender Management process to prolific perpetrators of Domestic Violence.</p> <p>a) Develop an Action Plan for the top ten DV perpetrators to ensure an integrated partnership response is in place.</p> <p>b) Increase the number of completions on the male perpetrator programme.</p>	<p>Funding has been confirmed from Health. DAAT leading on the project and a meeting is scheduled mid-July. A summary of the project is going DV strategy group</p>
4	<p>Provide intensive support for repeat cases of domestic violence that are presented to the MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference).</p> <p>a) Sustain the Safe at Home scheme to enable DV victims to remain in their home if it is safe for them to do so.</p> <p>b) Ensure that involvement with H&SC is maintained until support is accepted from harbour.</p> <p>c) Maintain supported move on housing.</p> <p>d) Adopt Government guidance for DV Homicide Reviews.</p>	<p>Ongoing as above.</p> <p>Steven Hume leading on DV Homicide Reviews.</p>
5	<p>Raise awareness of DV issues within Health to empower health providers to deal with DV more effectively.</p> <p>a) Improve data sharing for domestic violence to include Health and other partners</p> <p>b) Put in place a monitoring system within Health starting with A & E and GP services to facilitate the development of a business case for preventative work for DV.</p> <p>c) Increase the number of DV assessments made by Health</p> <p>d) Begin a dialogue with Health about the funding arrangements and provision of the rape and sexual violence counselling service provided by Harbour</p>	<p>Lead for project has been identified by Health.</p> <p>Work has commenced with GP and A&E.</p>

TARGETS

No	Performance Measure	Quarter 1	Status
3.3	<p>Reduce repeat perpetrators of Domestic Violence</p> <p>Reduce the number of perpetrators of DV who re-offend 6 months after completing a programme year on year.</p> <p>Baseline: 23 repeat perpetrators in 2010/11 known to Police prior to the completion of the programme</p>	<p>Four out of five perpetrators who completed the programme have refrained from offending</p>	
3.4	<p>Increase the number of repeat victims in MARAC accessing support from Harbour.</p> <p>Increase the take up of support year on year. Aim to increase the % rate of take up based on number accessing treatment as a proportion of all of repeats.</p> <p>Baseline: to be established in 2011/12</p>	<p>Baseline to be collected this financial year</p>	

Attached in appendix one is a diagram which shows the Multi Agency structures of Domestic Violence services in Stockton.

Police data

Data from Cleveland Police shows that there has been a reduction in the number of Domestic incidents and crimes this quarter, compared to the same period last year. The detection rate has also increased by 3.3% and the number of repeat victims has reduced by 51 (4.5%). However, arrests have reduced by 13.6%, although the arrest rate is only down by 2.7%.

Conviction data is always a month in arrears. For April – May 2011 the conviction rate reduced by 8.2% compared to the same period in 2010, and the rate of discontinued cases was 19.1%; a reduction of 14.3% on the previous year. These figures only relate to two months and there is room for improvement throughout the financial year.

The tables below shows the figures discussed in more detail.

Domestic Incidents	April 11 To June 11			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
DV Incidents	1078	1084	-6	-0.6%
DV Forms	1043	1153	-110	-9.5%
Rate per 1000 Pop.	5.62	5.65	-0.03	-0.6%

Crime & Detections	April 11 To June 11			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
Recorded Crimes	234	257	-23	-8.9%
<i>Crime./Incident Ratio</i>	21.7%	23.7%	-2.0%	-2.0%
Iris Detections	128	132	-4	-3.0%
<i>Detection Rate</i>	54.7%	51.4%	3.3%	3.3%

Repeat Victims	April 11 To June 11			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
Repeat Victims	378	429	-51	-11.9%
<i>Repeat Victim Rate</i>	35.1%	39.6%	-4.5%	-4.5%

Arrests	April 11 To June 11			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
Arrests	190	220	-30	-13.6%
<i>Arrest Rate</i>	17.6%	20.3%	-2.7%	-2.7%
Custody Arrests	114	127	-13	-10.2%

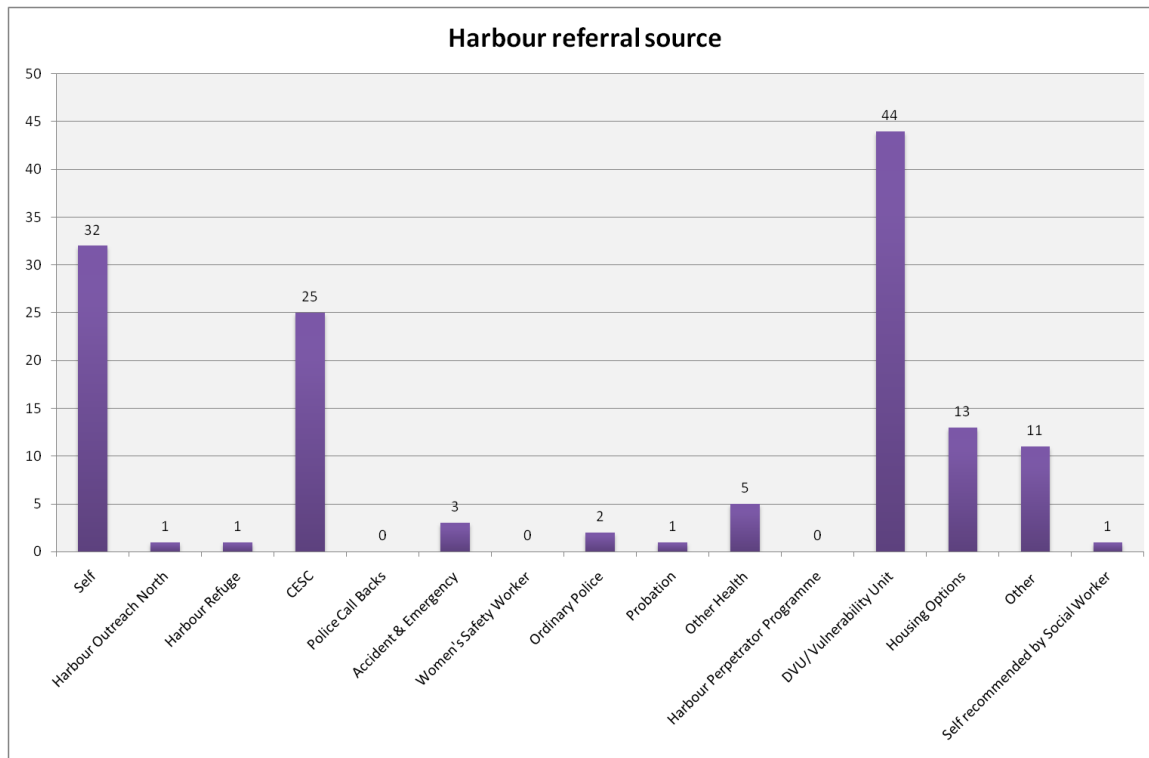
Conviction Rate	April 11 To May 11			
	2011/12	2010/11	Change	% Change
Convictions	31	46	-15	-32.6%
<i>Conviction Rate</i>	66.0%	74.2%	-8.2%	-8.2%
Discontinued Cases	9	3	6	200.0%
<i>Discontinued Rate</i>	19.1%	4.8%	14.3%	14.3%

Harbour data – Women’s Outreach

Referrals to Harbour have remained rather consistent; there have been 139 referrals to Harbour in the current quarter, compared to 140 in same period 2010/11 and 142 in 2009/10.

Harbour Referrals	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	% change 10/11 - 11/12
Q1 (Apr - Jun)	142	140	139	-0.7%
Q2 (Jul - Sept)	136	158		
Q3 (Oct - Dec)	164	140		
Q4 (Jan - Mar)	205	175		
TOTAL	647	613	139	

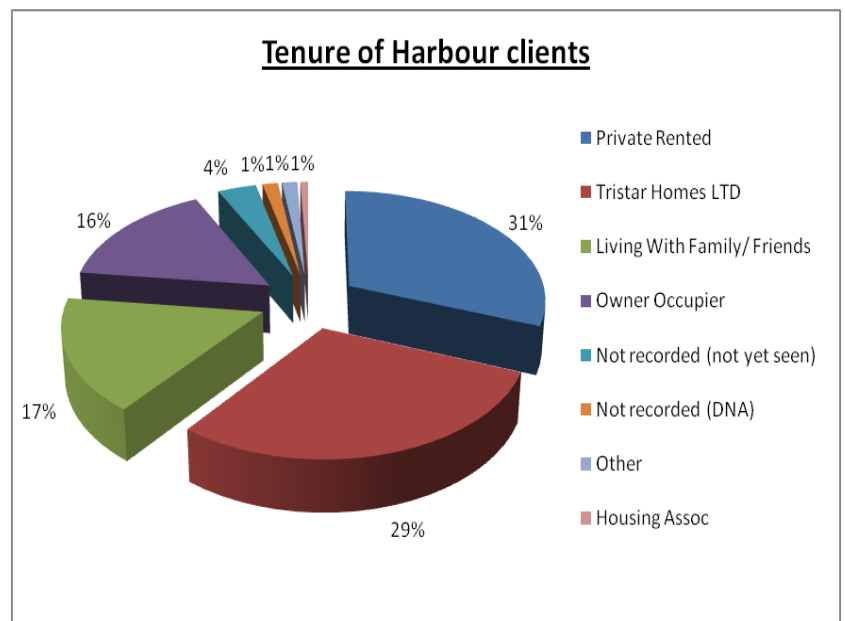
The majority of referrals to Harbour were received by three sources; Police Vulnerability Unit (32%), Self referrals (23%) and CESC (18%). The graph below shows a breakdown of referrals by source for quarter one.



Most clients were female (99%), aged between 25 – 44 years and mainly lived in rented accommodation with very few owner occupiers (16%).

Perpetrators were mostly male (95%) and of the same age range.

The pie chart to the right provides a full breakdown of tenure status for clients referred in quarter one.



The location of Harbour referrals, Police incidents and crimes has been analysed. The table below shows the number of each DV data source that have occurred in each ward, as well as the rate per 1,000 population of these offences. The wards have been colour coded to show variance from the Borough average as measured by the index score. Red is more than twice the Borough average (index score >200), amber is between half above and twice above the Borough average (index score 150 – 199), and green is less than half the Borough average (index <50). Any wards in bold italics are above the Borough average. In addition, the top five in terms of raw numbers have been highlighted in red text.

Of note, Roseworth features in the top five for Harbour referrals and crimes but not for incidents, whereas Hardwick is the opposite featuring as the 5th ward for incidents but not for harbour referrals or crimes. Billingham East also features in the top five for crimes and overall totals but not for incidents or Harbour referrals.

Ward	Harbour referrals	Police Incidents	Crimes	Total	% of total	Rt 1,000 pop	Index
<i>Stockton Town Centre</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>153</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>215</i>	<i>14%</i>	<i>32.3</i>	<i>418.8</i>
<i>Newtown</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>104</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>10%</i>	<i>19.0</i>	<i>246.1</i>
<i>Mandale and Victoria</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>124</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>169</i>	<i>11%</i>	<i>16.3</i>	<i>210.8</i>
<i>Parkfield and Oxbridge</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>7%</i>	<i>14.2</i>	<i>184.7</i>
<i>Hardwick</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>80</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>11.6</i>	<i>150.6</i>
<i>Billingham East</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>6%</i>	<i>11.5</i>	<i>149.7</i>
<i>Roseworth</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>10.7</i>	<i>138.9</i>
<i>Billingham Central</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>5%</i>	<i>10.2</i>	<i>132.1</i>
<i>Norton North</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>114.8</i>
<i>Village</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>59</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>114.4</i>
<i>Billingham South</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>7.8</i>	<i>101.0</i>
Stainsby Hill	3	34	9	46	3%	6.9	89.6
Norton South	1	38	9	48	3%	6.1	79.4
Bishopsgarth and Elm Tree	3	22	5	30	2%	4.5	58.4
Billingham North	1	26	8	35	2%	3.6	46.8
Yarm	3	26	4	33	2%	3.4	43.6
Fairfield	2	14	4	20	1%	3.3	42.4
Grangefield	1	19	2	22	1%	3.2	41.2
Billingham West	3	11	3	17	1%	2.8	36.7
Northern Parishes	1	8	1	10	1%	2.8	36.3
Eaglescliffe	4	22	4	30	2%	2.8	36.1
Norton West	2	13	2	17	1%	2.6	33.7
Ingleby Barwick East	3	20	3	26	2%	2.5	32.7
Ingleby Barwick West	1	21	1	23	2%	2.1	26.7
Hartburn	0	12	0	12	1%	1.7	22.4
Western Parishes	1	2		3	0%	0.9	12.1
Grand Total	139	1,107	241	1,487	100%	7.7	100.0

There is currently a waiting list of three people for Harbour outreach.

Harbour data – Freedom Programme

Harbour has run three rolling programmes in the Stockton area and 65 women have completed from April – June. There are currently 49 women attending the Freedom Programme.

Harbour data – Children’s Outreach

There have been 75 referrals to the children’s outreach service in the current quarter. In total 20 young people are open one to one support, and 15 are open to group support. There are 54 young people currently awaiting support. This is a large increase on the same period last year where there were only 28 referrals, and 12 young people awaiting support.

Harbour data – Refuge

The table below shows the figures for the refuge for quarter one, compared to the same period last year. It shows that the number of referrals has increased by 38%, and the % declined has reduced by 5%. However, the overall occupancy rate reduced by 3%.

REFUGE	2010/11	2011/12	% change
Number of Referrals	40	55	38%
Women Accommodated	16	15	-6%
Number MARAC cases	0	0	0%
Children Accommodated	12	17	42%
Occupancy Rate	93%	90%	-3%
Number Declined due to no space	23	30	30%
% declined	58%	55%	-5%

Harbour data – Perpetrator Programme

There have been 39 referrals to the perpetrator programme this financial year to date, a reduction of one on the same period last year. The number failing to attend any sessions has seen a big increase this year compared to last year and the numbers in assessment, on the group and those completing has seen a reduction.

Perpetrator Programme	2010/11	2011/12	% Change
Number of Referrals	40	39	-3%
Failed to Attend Any	9	23	156%
Assessed not suitable / did not return to assessment	2	5	150%
In Assessment	29	9	-69%
Currently on Group	13	11	-15%
1 to 1	0	1	100%
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Completers (Not necessarily referred in period)	9	7	-22%
Completed more than 6 months ago	9	4	-56%
Of above, number of Police call outs	2	0	-100%
Perpetrator Programme	2010/11	2011/12	% Change
Number began group	11	3	-73%
Number completed	9	7	-22%
Number currently on group	13	11	-15%
Number completing less than half	9	0	-100%
Number completing more than half of programme but not all 30 weeks	0	0	0%

Probation data – CDVP

The Community Domestic Violence Programme (CDVP) is court mandated perpetrator programme delivered by the Probation service. There has been a reduction in the number of order made and programmes commenced this quarter compared to the same period last year but the number of programme completions has increased from two to four.

CDVP	2010/11	2011/12	% Change
Orders Made (including prison/licences)	7	4	-43%
Programme Commencements	6	3	-50%
Programme Completions	2	4	100%

Local Authority Data – CESC first contact team

NB: Data recording issues mean that a full comparison of DV referrals to the first contact team is not possible for 2010/11; however this should not affect the comparison for this quarter.

There has been a reduction of 29% in the number of referrals to the team compared to the same period last year. Of the referrals this quarter, 58% were closed and logged as an enquiry and 42% were assigned to the team. The majority of those assigned to the team were NFA'd following assessment (61%).

CESC First Contact Team	2010/11	2011/12	% change
Number of referrals	321	228	-29%
Closed & logged as enquiry	133	132	-1%
<i>% Closed & logged as enquiry</i>	<i>41%</i>	<i>58%</i>	<i>16%</i>
Assigned to team	188	96	-49%
<i>% Assigned to team</i>	<i>59%</i>	<i>42%</i>	<i>-16%</i>
Cases ongoing at end of Quarter	167	35	-79%
<i>% ongoing at end of Quarter</i>	<i>89%</i>	<i>36%</i>	<i>-52%</i>
NFA following assessment	21	59	181%
<i>% NFA following assessment</i>	<i>11%</i>	<i>61%</i>	<i>50%</i>

Local Authority Data – Housing options

There were 34 approaches to housing options that were DV related in the current quarter; five more than the same period last year.

Housing options	2010/11	2011/12	% change
Number of DV related approaches	34	39	15%

Local Authority Data – Safe at Home scheme

The Safe at Home scheme was not publicised throughout the first quarter of this year until the funding had been secured. Also, the referrals are now more thoroughly assessed to ensure the most vulnerable receive target hardening measures. This has resulted in a reduction of 74% this quarter; 10 properties target hardened compared to 39 last year. The scheme is once again more widely known and referrals are expected to increase throughout the year.

Health Data – A&E presentations for assault

There were 297 assault presentations at North Tees A&E in the current quarter; a 10% reduction on the same period last year. Of the 297 presentations only 30 patients (10%) reported their assault was perpetrated by a spouse / partner. However, 28% of records could not be classified (10% for clinician attention and 18% code not recognised). The majority of patients reporting domestic assaults were female (22 out of 30, 73%) aged 25 – 34 years, and none made repeat presentations in the three-month period.

Appendix one:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MULTI-AGENCY STRUCTURES

