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Definition

- Any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are or have been intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality.
- The **abuse** can encompass but is not limited to:
 - psychological
 - physical
 - sexual
 - financial
 - emotional.
- **Controlling behaviour** is a range of acts designed to make a person subordinate and/or dependent by isolating them from sources of support, exploiting their resources and capacities for personal gain, depriving them of the means needed for independence, resistance and escape and regulating their everyday behaviour.
- **Coercive behaviour** is an act or a pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation and intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish, or frighten their victim.
- This definition includes so called **'honour' based violence, female genital mutilation and forced marriage**, and is clear that victims are not confined to one gender or ethnic group.



Quiz

Q1) How many DA incidents were reported to Warrington police in 2019

- a) 5000+
- b) 3000+
- c) 6000+

Q2) How many victims have been murdered in Warrington since 2012?

- a) 8
- b) 2
- C) 4



My role

- Partnership role
- Key aim to lead and strengthen a multiagency response to DA across Warrington
- Commenced post in Sep 2020, 8 weeks ago!

Training Offer During Covid-19

- Partnership offer (Women's Aid, Refuge, Police) of 5 webinars, booking via Safeguarding Board portal.



Training themes

DA & Impact x 2

Marac and Safety Planning

Legal interventions and support pathways

Economic Abuse and Coercive Control -Jan 2021

Daily DA meetings

- Commencing 3.11.20 discussing High risk cases (identified via DASH) in Hub with key agencies including IDVA service.



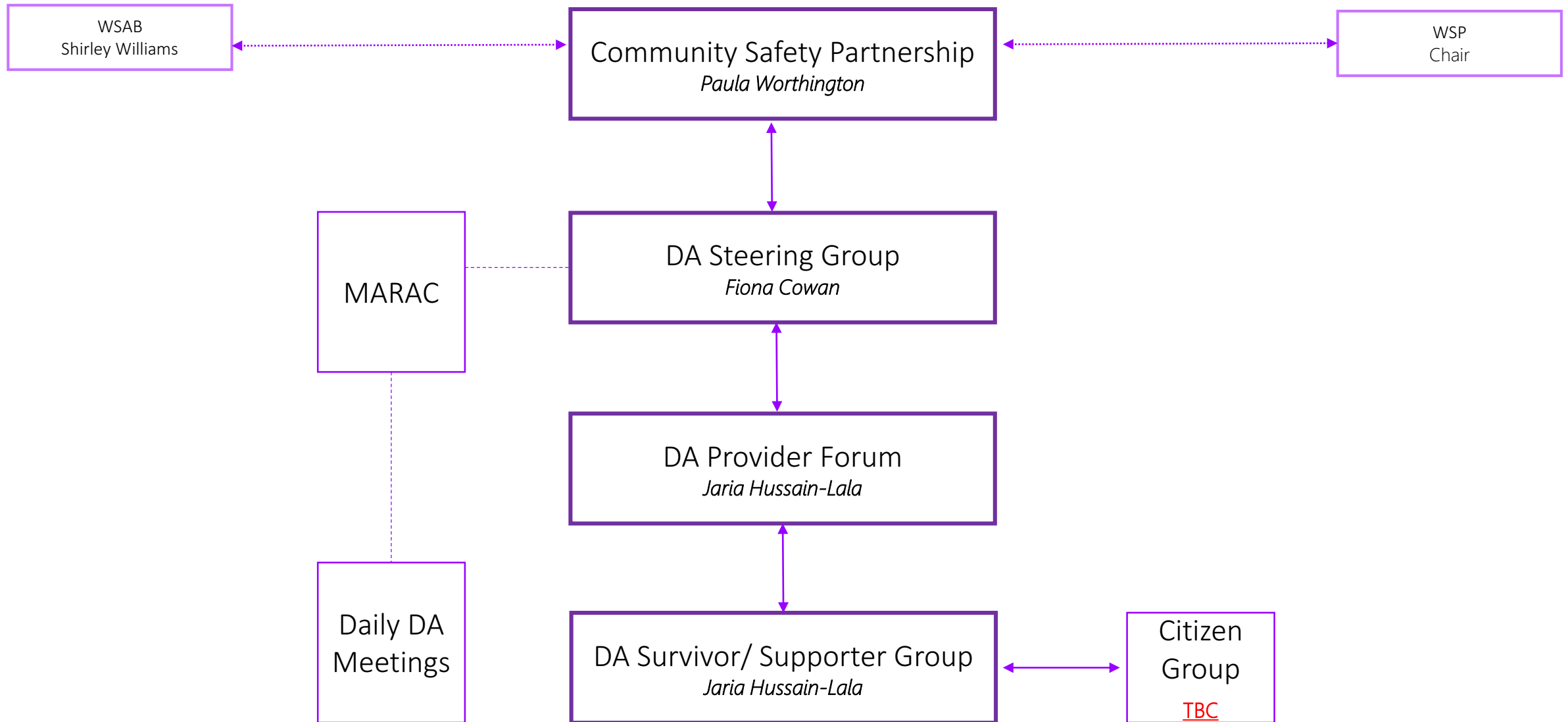
DA mapping of services

- Capturing all DA activity/ service provision within the borough – **Need your Help**
- Establishing Pathways
- Understanding/reconfirming Gaps

Perpetrator work and developments

- Awarded a bid to deliver a intervention to medium risk adult perpetrators
- Proposed model based on work delivered in Cheshire East
- **Gap** in Child Parent Violence/ APVA

Domestic Abuse Governance Structure





DA Bill (1)

- The Bill will create, for the first time, a cross-government statutory definition of domestic abuse.
- The Bill recognises that a child who sees or hears or experiences the effects of the abuse is a victims of domestic abuse in their own right.
- Established the Domestic Abuse Commissioner role who has been appointed, Nicola Jacobs.
- Will stablish a new Domestic Abuse Protection Notice and Domestic Abuse Protection Order with positive action, giving police more powers.



(2)

- Creates a statutory presumption that victims of domestic abuse are eligible for special measures in the criminal, civil and family courts.
- Prevents perpetrators from cross-examining their victims in person in the civil and family courts in England and Wales.
- Ban on consent to 'rough sex' being used as a defence in murder cases.
- Places a duty on local authorities in England to provide support to victims of domestic abuse and their children in refuges and other safe accommodation. **(A funding announcement has been made to assist LA's with this duty in October 2020)**



(3)

- Extends the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the criminal courts in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland to further violent and sexual offences. (to comply with the Istanbul convention 2012). **(This means British citizens/permeant residents can be held accountable for crimes committed abroad on their return to the UK).**
- Subject perpetrators to polygraph testing as a condition of their licence following their release from custody.
- Places Clare's law on a statutory footing.
- Victims of domestic abuse will be automatically awarded 'priority need' for homelessness assistance.



DA Web Page

- Updating DA web page with all local and national agency contacts/resources

16 days of activism/White Ribbon Campaign 2020

- 25th November- 10th December
- Virtual activity/pledges

Any Questions:

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