

Freedom of Information Request 2025/26

Freedom of Information Request details:

requesting information regarding your services for survivors of domestic violence and abuse. The request aims to **gain a full picture of all the domestic abuse services funded by your local authority** and what form this funding takes.

We have formatted this request as a table to make it clear what information we are asking for and have provided a list of definitions to support with completing the request. If you would like any further clarification, or the request to be submitted in a different format, please email

This Freedom of Information request should be completed directly by the local authority and not referred to another organisation to complete.

Definitions:

- **Refuge/safe accommodation:** Accommodation and support provided for survivors experiencing domestic abuse. Accommodation can be in any or all of shared, self-contained, or dispersed housing.
- **Non-refuge/community-based services:** Services for survivors of domestic abuse provided separately from accommodation services. This may include floating support, outreach, IDVA/DAPA projects, specialist services for children and young people experiencing domestic abuse (including support for children with their non-abusive parent), counselling, group work programmes/support groups, helpline services, drop-in services, prevention and awareness raising work and any other non-accommodation based services.
- **Perpetrator work:** Interventions for perpetrators of domestic abuse which are designed to support perpetrators to change their behaviour and make them accountable for their behaviour, aiming to safeguard survivors and reduce the harms of domestic abuse.
- **In-house services:** Services delivered directly by staff employed by the local authority and not contracted to another organisation.
- **Commissioned funding:** Funding secured through a competitive tender process.
- **Grant funding:** A sum of money provided under a Grant Funding Agreement, where applicants must meet the conditions of a fund.

Q1. Refuge/safe accommodation services

Please fill out this table with information about **all** of the **refuge and/or safe accommodation** services for survivors of domestic abuse that your local authority funds in your area in 2025/26, including any refuge/safe accommodation services that are delivered in-house.

Refuge/safe accommodation services							
a. Which organisation/s do you currently fund to deliver refuge and/or safe accommodation services in your area?	b. When did the current contract for this commissioned service start ? (Month/Year)	c. When does the current contract for this commissioned service end ? (Month/Year)	d. How is the funding for this service delivered? Please mark as many options as relevant with an 'X'.				e. If known, how many bedspaces for adults does your local authority fund this organisation to provide?
			Commissioned funding	Grant funding	Service delivered in-house	Other (please specify) / Comments	
IDAS	June 2024	June 2027	X				<p>7 Units (rooms) that contain 20 bedspaces, 7 adults and 13 children.</p> <p>It is more difficult with dispersed as we currently</p>

							<i>have 15 properties comprising of 2 x1 bed flats , 9 x 2 bed houses & 3 x 3 bed house & 1 x 4 bed house . Some of these bed spaces could be used for victims and dependent adults.</i>
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f. If there is any other information you would like to provide to clarify your answers to Q1 please tell us here:

The service was re-commissioned in 2024 but City of Doncaster Council has previously commissioned refuge and dispersed accommodation services for many years.

Q2. Non-refuge/community-based services:

- Please fill out this table with information about **any non-refuge/community-based services** for survivors of domestic abuse and any perpetrator work that your local authority funds in your area in 2025/26, including any services delivered in-house.
- Please include details of any non-refuge/community-based services you fund which are provided by organisations already listed in Q1.
- Please refer to the definitions in the introduction and tell us about the full range of services that organisations are funded to provide.

Non-refuge/community-based services	
a. Which organisation/s do you currently fund to deliver non-refuge/community-based services for survivors of domestic abuse and/or perpetrator work in your area?	b. Which types of services do you fund this organisation to deliver?
<i>Cranstoun</i>	<i>Perpetrator work</i>
City of Doncaster Council	A wide range of domestic abuse community based support including a helpline, Sanctuary type scheme, IDVAs, community engagement worker, Domestic Abuse Navigators (whole family), Adolescent to Parent Abuse programme, work in schools, training programme, partnership work