

PROBATION'S AIMS ARE

- Protect the Public
- Reduce Re-offending
- Proper punishment of offenders
- Rehabilitation of offenders
- Increasing offenders' awareness for victims

DIVERSITY

The Probation Trust is committed to valuing and respecting differences between individuals. If you have concerns or questions about race, religion, culture, gender, sexual orientation, child care or other issues which might affect your ability to take part in the scheme, please discuss this as soon as possible with your Womens Safety Officer.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

Our staff keep information about you in records and on computer. We keep all records safe and secure. If you wish to know more about this please ask to see our leaflet 'Your right to see your records'.

IF YOU ARE UNHAPPY

If you are unhappy about our service, in any way, talk to your Womens Safety Officer. Our staff will listen and do what they can to help. If you are not satisfied, ask to talk to the Team Manager.

If you wish to take it further, ask for our leaflet 'How to Make a Complaint'.



OPTIONS AVAILABLE

Please ask us if you'd like a translated or large print version of this leaflet.

Proszę nas powiadomić jeśli wymagasz aby ta ulotka była wydrukowana dużymi literami, przetłumaczona lub potrzebujesz aby obecny był tłumacz.

“તમને આ માહિતી મોટા અક્ષરમાં કે બીજી ભાષામાં જોઈએ અથવા તમને ઇન્ટરપ્રિટરની જરૂર હોય તો અમને જણાવો.”

“سیم لکش ہمش ہمچرت ای فورج ے ٹوم ہچہاتک ہی وک ہا رگا
یہ ےتہاچ یگدوجوم یک نامچرت ہارم ےنہا ہا رگا ای وہ راکرد
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CONTACT US

Call **01253 685050** and ask to speak to a Women's Safety Officer.
2 Avroe Crescent, Blackpool Business Park
Blackpool, Lancashire FY4 2DP

OTHER AGENCY CONTACTS

You may like to contact other agencies, here are their contact details:

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| • Domestic Violence Helpline | 0800 2000 247 |
| • Police Domestic Violence Unit | 0845 125 3545 |
| • Social Services | 0845 602 1043 |
| • Victim Support Lancashire | 01772 828 422 |
| • Women's Aid | 0808 2000 247 |

In Emergency: Police 999

INFORMATION ABOUT WOMEN'S SAFETY FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Information for you



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SAFETY COMES FIRST

Your safety and the safety of your children is our priority.

Why we contact you

A Woman's Safety Officer contacts you when your ex partner or current partner has been sentenced to attend the Community Domestic Violence Programme. This is a Probation programme for men who have been violent to their female partner.

What we offer to you

- Information about the Domestic Violence Programme.
- Regular contact with you while your ex partner or partner is attending. We will tell you:
 - When he starts the programme
 - If he continues to attend
 - If we become aware of any risks.
- Help for you to make plans for the safety of yourself and any children.
- Help for you to find out about and make contact with other local services for support and advice.

We ask you about your ex partner or partner's behaviour in order to see if the programme is helping him to change.

WHAT THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMME INVOLVES

It aims to prevent all forms of violent and abusive behaviour by men against their partner.

It is important for you to know that your ex partner or current partner may not stop his abusive behaviour.

It takes time and effort for a person to change how they think and behave. This programme provides the opportunity for men to learn how to make these changes if they really want to.

There are no guarantees of success.

The man must take part in up to 25 sessions. He will attend group sessions with other offenders.

He will also have individual meetings with his Offender Manager who will check on his progress during his period supervision.

The programme aims for the offender to learn:

- To be aware of the damage caused by his abusive behaviour.
- To change how he thinks and behaves.
- To manage conflict and argument without abuse.
- To understand his partner's feelings and views
- To identify risk situations and manage these without becoming abusive or violent.



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Tell us your view

Please contact us if there is something you would like to discuss

Any information you tell us is dealt with sensitively.

How we keep in touch with you

We will agree with you how best to keep in touch. This may be by letter, by telephone, mobile phone or by visits which can be arranged to be safe and convenient.

If English is not your first language and you would like an interpreter present, please ask us to arrange this.

