

Surrey Heath Community Safety Partnership

Domestic Homicide Review – Case 2

This summary outlines the findings of a Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) following an incident in December 2012. The identity of those involved has been withheld for the purposes of confidentiality.

The Review concluded with a series of recommendations which are set out below:

- 1 The Multi Agency Information Sharing Protocol should be further developed to include all health agencies and all schools, and training should be provided to those who would need to use it.
- 2 For age appropriate safeguarding courses, specifically to include domestic abuse, to be developed for inclusion in pupil training programmes for all Surrey Schools, including primary (to include academy, private and state schools).
- 3 Consider using an independent GP when reviewing surgery actions for DHRs.
- 4 That training is given and regularly refreshed to all primary health practitioners, including doctors, nurses and sexual health practitioners, focusing on adult safeguarding, including domestic abuse and the influence of drugs and alcohol abuse.
- 5 For Surrey County Council's Children's Services to implement the medium to long term actions.
- 6 The Surrey Police Head of Public Protection should explore options for flagging serial perpetrators of domestic abuse and their addresses on Surrey Police information systems for easy identification by officers and staff.
- 7 Guidance on the processes should include a pre-stage, with briefing sessions for potential review authors and that the 1 August 2013 Home Office Guidance, Paragraph 7, be amended to add that lessons are also learnt from the history and profiles of perpetrators in order to help pre-empt the likelihood of offending by other potential abusers.
- 8 The Surrey Community Safety Board be asked to:
 - Extend IRIS to the West of Surrey without delay, based on the good results from the East Surrey roll-out;
 - Disseminate the learning to the Adult and Children's Safeguarding Boards; and
 - Agree how best to appoint independent chairs for future DHRs from outside Surrey.

It is the responsibility of the Surrey Heath Community Safety Partnership to ensure that the various agencies delivered all of the recommendation, which it did through periodic contact with and written confirmation from, the relevant agencies.