



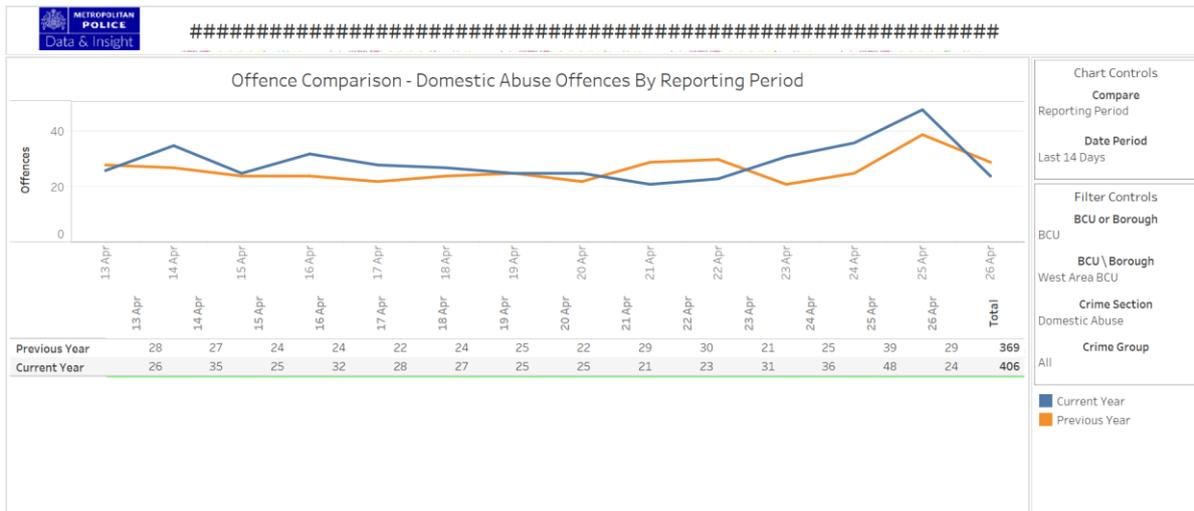
Briefing for stakeholders 3

1. Recorded data

The West Area BCU (Hillingdon, Ealing and Hounslow) has seen a year-on-year increase in DA Offences (using the police data for the last 12 weeks) of 10% (406 recorded offences compared to 369 offences).

In the last 4 weeks there has been an increase of 25 recorded crime (+21.9%) - 139 DA Offences from 114.

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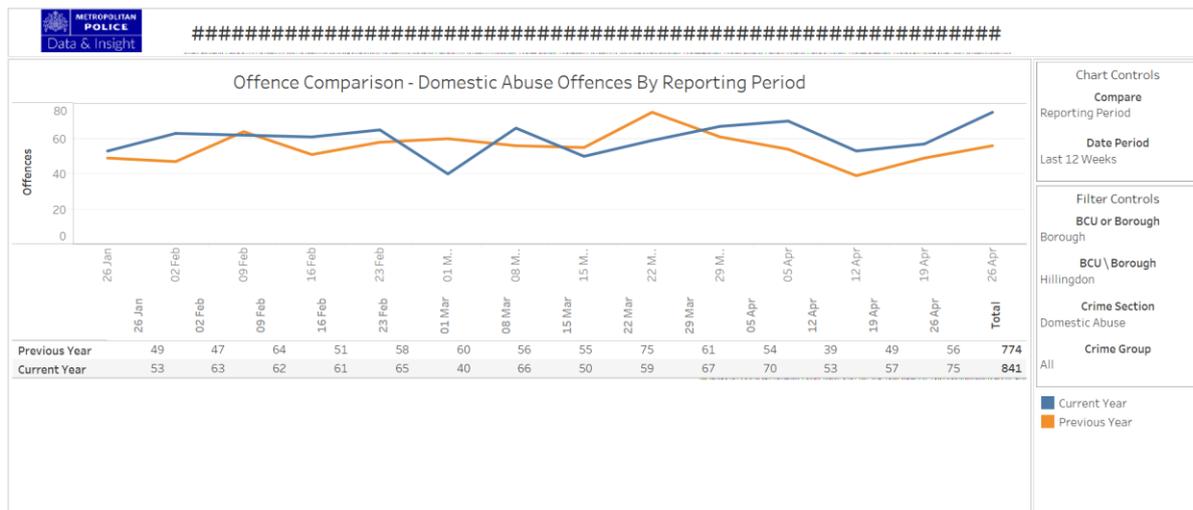


Hillingdon Borough:

Data shows for the last 12 weeks shows an increase of 67 DA Offences (+8.66%) compared to the same period last year (up from 369 to 406).

In the last 4 weeks there has a 28.78% increase in recorded DA offences compared to the same 4 weeks in the previous 12 months (255 recorded offences compared to 198).

Hillingdon Borough:



In addition, it is worth noting that this police data does NOT include the non-crime element, which invariably would be higher than the DA Offence data.

Recommendation: That the wider partnership markets and broadcasts the availability of DA support services on the borough and across London and encourage the safe reporting of DA.

The Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) has reported that they have made 4093 arrests in London in the 6 weeks period to 19th April 2020, which is an average of 100 arrests for DA Offences per day.

In addition, the MPS has reported an increase of 9% in DA Incidents (this is a combination of crimes and non-crimes) over the period March 9 - April 19.

There have also been 2 DA murders in London.

Hillingdon IDVA Service

The Hillingdon IDVA Service, whose staff are operating remotely have managed an average of 15 new high risk referrals per week. In April 2020 so far there have been 64 referrals to the IDVA Service. This 'mirrors' the 63 referrals in April 2019.

In FY 2019/20 there were 777 referrals to this service. This represents an increase of 3.46% compared to FY 2018/19.

This is the highest annual number of referrals managed by this service.

DA MARAC

There is an average of 25 referrals to the DA MARAC at the last MARAC meeting on April 9th. The next MARAC meeting is on May 8th. See below for the DA MARAC Coordinator's contact details.

Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)

In the 4 weeks to April 21st the MASH has received 382 Child Merlin reports of which 157 have a DA element to them.

There is a general upward trend in the number of Merlin reports that have a DA element to them.

Currently, Operation Encompass continues to operate in the borough. For more information please visit: <https://www.operationencompass.org/>

(Note: Any data provided is for guidance only and may change)

Helpline calls

See Stakeholder Briefing 2 for details relating to help lines.

- The Home Secretary has announced has £2m funding support for help lines and on line support services.
- The Respect Phonenumber for perpetrators seeking help with their behaviour is dealing with a 125% increase in calls and 488% in website.
- 28% of Respect members – who provide perpetrator interventions - have had to furlough staff. This will have an impact on service delivery

2. Emergency Fund to support the voluntary sector

Further details can be found here: <https://www.london.gov.uk/press-releases/mayoral/mayor-contributes-1m-to-emergency-support-fund> .

The Chancellor announced a £750m funding boost for the charity sector.

3. Resources

- **Hillingdon Council Domestic Abuse web pages** <https://hillingsdon.gov.uk/abuse> including Local Resources Guide
- National Centre for Domestic Violence April Magazine can be found by visiting www.ncdvmagazine.co.uk
- Respect has launched its campaign #NoExcuseforAbuse which calls on perpetrators to recognise their behaviour has become abusive and call the phone line for guidance/support (to help change their behaviour). Tel: 0808 802 4040 or visit <http://respectphonenumber.org.uk>
- Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance (DAHA) Advice and Resources page during C-19 for housing providers <https://www.dahalliance.org.uk/resources/information-on-covid-19/>
- 'My Support Space' from Victim Support, which is designed to help victims of crime, manage the impact that crime has had on them. Victims can access a range of tools to help them cope and move forward after crime. They can work through a series of

interactive guides which address their specific needs. The guides feature videos, techniques, activities and tips that can be completed at their own pace.

Victim Support also runs a free and confidential Supportline allowing victims to access support 24/7. This can be reached on 08 08 16 89 111 or online on the [VS website](#). The LVWS website can be found at londonvws.org.uk

Resources and helpline on child sexual abuse (CSA)

- A confidential helpline (Stop It Now! – 0808 1000 900) for anyone who is concerned about their own behaviour or the behaviour of others – this can be accessed by any member of the public or by professionals who need advice. There is also a secure messaging service available through <https://contactus.stopitnow.org.uk/>.

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- The Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command Centre (CEOP) have just launched a campaign (#OnlineSafetyAtHome) promoting their resources on preventing all forms of online child sexual abuse; this includes resources for all age groups and for those concerned about sexting – <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>
- There are resources for parents on the NSPCC website about online safety and all forms of child sexual abuse: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>
- Nina Turner, Personal & Family Support Worker, SSAFA, the Armed Force Charity, Queen Elizabeth House, 4 St Dunstan's Hill, London, EC3R 8AD
Tel: 0208 841 8581

As a reminder there is a large military community in Hillingdon Borough. See attached products produced by the Army Welfare Service.

**** Breaking News ****

From May 1st, victims of **domestic abuse** will be able to access **safe spaces** at Boots pharmacies' consultation rooms where they can contact specialist domestic abuse services for support and advice. Launched by charity Hestia's **UK SAYS NO MORE** campaign

<https://www.hestia.org/news/press-release-campaign-launches-safe-space-in-boots-stores-for-victims-of-domestic-abuse-across-the-uk>

Boots store locator: <https://www.boots.com/store-locator>

This is welcomed news, which supports the work of the Hillingdon Domestic Abuse Steering Executive (DASE) and its strategic plans. Work is already underway in developing a Night Time Economy (NTE) Strategy supported by Safe Havens and Bystander Initiatives. In addition, such initiatives also support our work in developing a local Employers' Initiative.

We would welcome your contributions, support and involvement in this work.

4. Local IDVA and MARAC Services – Reminder

As a reminder Hillingdon IDVA service and that provided by Victim Support remains operational. There will be remote contact with victims.

Referrals to Hillingdon IDVA Service can be made by the following NEW contact details:

E-mail: hidvas@hillington.gov.uk and sstewart@hillington.gov.uk

Tel: 07874620954

In addition, the DA MARAC will operate remotely every 2 weeks. Referrals to be made to Tim Moriarty – Timothy.Moriarty@met.pnn.police.uk

5. Our ASK

Please:

- i) Do let us know if your Organisation / Agency is receiving an increase in referral of DA cases.
- ii) Provide us with any information or sources you think maybe useful.
- iii) Provide us with any concerns or information of note that we can pass to Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC), Local Government Association (LGA), Local Resilience Forum and the London Harmful Practices Working Group.

Please send your updates to gcampbell1@hillington.gov.uk

The next briefing will be provided on or about 15 May 2020.

1 May 2020