

Leicester City Council
Domestic and Sexual Violence and Abuse
Training Programme 2026 - 27

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If you need to cancel your place, please email DSVTeam@leicester.gov.uk at least 2 working days in advance and decline any calendar invite that you may have received. This will free up the space for others to book on and will avoid any potential recharges.

Course day	Notify by close of business
Monday	Wednesday
Tuesday	Thursday
Wednesday	Friday
Thursday	Monday
Friday	Tuesday

Please do not share joining instructions for courses with colleagues, as delegate numbers are fixed, and anyone who has not officially booked on the session, may be turned away on the day.

Any queries on the programme should be sent to DSVTeam@leicester.gov.uk, titled 'Training Query'.

Name of organisation:	Leicester City Council Housing – Homelessness Prevention & Support
Title of training being offered:	<p>Housing’s Response to Domestic Abuse</p> <p>This bespoke course offers the delegate an in-depth and up to date knowledge of both Housing Management and Homelessness Services response to domestic abuse.</p> <p>Please note: this course is for Leicester City practitioners only</p>
Type of training resource being offered:	Presentation and briefing
Duration of each session:	2 hours
How the content will be delivered:	MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>6th May 2026 5th August 2026 4th November 2026 3rd February 2027</p> <p>All sessions run 10.00 – 12.00</p>
Level of training:	An insightful course intended for all levels of understanding
Learning Outcomes:	The delegates will leave the course better equipped to deal with domestic abuse from a homelessness and tenancy perspective

Name of organisation:	Leicester City Council – DASV Team
Title of training being offered:	Overview of Domestic Abuse Service System Please note: this course is for Leicester City practitioners only
Duration of each session:	90mins
How the content will be delivered:	MS Teams To book a place, please email dsvteam@leicester.gov.uk stating your preferred date
Dates/times of planned sessions:	2 nd July 2026 7 th October 2026 14 th January 2027 16 th March 2027 All sessions running 11.00 am-12.30pm
Target Participants:	City practitioners wanting to know more about the locally commissioned domestic abuse support services.
Learning Outcomes:	This 1.5-hour briefing session will provide an overview of the locally commissioned domestic abuse specialist services available. It will detail what support is available, including safe accommodation options and myths, and will go through referral routes.

Name of organisation:	Leicester City Council
Title of training being offered:	Learning from Statutory Reviews (DHR)
Duration of each session:	Approx 3 hours
How the content will be delivered:	Face to Face
Dates/times of planned sessions:	23 rd June 2026 - 9.30 – 12.30pm 20 th August 2026 - 1.30 – 4.30pm 27 th November 2026 - 9.30 – 12.30pm 9 th February 2027 - 1.30 – 4.30pm
Target Participants:	Internal Staff members
Learning Outcomes:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand the purpose of a DHR and governance. 2. Identify common themes emerging from Local DHR's 3. Be able to identify missed safeguarding opportunities and propose interventions (Group activity – Review a case scenario and identify missed safeguarding opportunities). 4. Reflect on Learning from local DHR's 5. Develop practical actions to strengthen safeguarding responses based on local learning from DHR's (Group Activity – Discuss actionable improvements for participants own teams or service area).

Name of organisation:	LCC This will be delivered by Housing Options Team
Title of training being offered:	Private Rented Sector Briefing (PRS)
Duration of each session:	Approx 1 hours
How the content will be delivered:	Online
Dates/times of planned sessions:	16 th September 2026 - 11.00am – 12.00 25 th February 2027 - 11.00am – 12.00
Target Participants:	Open to anyone working with clients who are bidding for LCC accommodation and considering the private rented sector
Learning Outcomes:	An overview of PRS schemes and advice on how service users can access them.

Provider:	Living Without Abuse	
Course title:	DASH Including MARAC	
Purpose of the training	To gain an understanding and awareness around the DASH form and MARAC process.	
Content being covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DASH form • Understanding the DASH scores • MARAC 	
Learning outcomes	<p>Understand levels of risk around domestic abuse</p> <p>Understanding of how to complete a DASH for domestic abuse, including an in depth look into the questions asked and their meaning.</p> <p>Understand the MARAC and recognising high risk cases and referrals to MARAC</p> <p>Learning from cases referred to DHR's in terms of risk at referral</p> <p>Understand how to access support and make referrals into the Domestic abuse services</p>	
Target participants	Front line professionals working with vulnerable adults and young people	
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Teams • Face to face 	
Dates/times of planned sessions:	19 th May 2026 3 rd June 2026 24 th Sept 2026 6 th Oct 2026 10 th Nov 2026 2 nd Dec 2026 21 st Jan 2027 2 nd March 2027 All 10am - 4pm	Online F2F Online F2F Online Online F2F F2F
Level of training	Delegates should have a basic understanding of domestic abuse.	

Provider:	Living Without Abuse
Course title:	Domestic abuse risk and young people
Purpose of the training	To gain an understanding and awareness around young people's relationships, domestic abuse including the YP DASH form and MARAC process.
Content being covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic abuse awareness including impacts • YP DASH form • Responding to risk • MARAC
Learning outcomes	<p>To understand better what domestic violence in YP relationships is and the current definition used in the UK.</p> <p>Be able to define domestic abuse as physical violence, sexual violence, psychological or emotional abuse, financial or economic abuse, stalking and harassment.</p> <p>Be able to appreciate the physical, psychological & physiological impact on YP of domestic abuse on those who experience it and how it affects their behaviours and choices.</p> <p>Be able to clearly understand that domestic abuse is targeted, look out for early signs of it, and learn that there are no excuses for perpetrating abuse.</p> <p>Understand the main issues of providing a sensitive and appropriate service to a victim, children and young people experiencing domestic abuse.</p> <p>Understand how abusers will misuse any power & control over a victim - using the Duluth Power & Control Wheel.</p> <p>Understand levels of risk and responding to risk with YP. Understand how to complete a DASH for domestic abuse.</p> <p>Understand the MARAC and DHR process.</p> <p>Understand how to access support and make referrals into the domestic abuse services.</p>
Target participants	Front line professionals working with vulnerable young people, children and families
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to face
Dates/times of planned sessions:	15 th September 2026 10am-4pm
Level of training:	Beginner

Provider:	Living Without Abuse	
Course title:	DA Impact on children	
Purpose of the training	To build awareness around domestic abuse and young people, including impacts, family dynamics and parenting.	
Content being covered	Domestic abuse impacts on YP Power and control Impact of domestic abuse on parenting YP and abusive relationships	
Learning outcomes	<p>To identify and increase understanding of the short-term effects of domestic violence on children and young people.</p> <p>To identify and increase understanding of the long-term effects of domestic violence on children and young people.</p> <p>To increase understanding of how a perpetrator uses children to control their victim and how this can affect the victim's parenting abilities.</p> <p>To increase understanding of the dynamics of abusive relationships between young people.</p>	
Target participants	Front line professionals working with vulnerable young people, children and families	
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Teams • Face to face 	
Dates/times of planned sessions:	12 th May 2026 10 th June 2026 14 th Oct 2026 All 10am-4pm	Online F2F Online
Level of training:	Beginner	

Provider:	Living Without Abuse	
Course title:	Domestic Abuse in Teen Relationships	
Purpose of the training	Raise awareness around domestic abuse and sexual violence in teen relationships	
Content being covered	Domestic abuse and sexual violence awareness including indicators and impacts and barriers to reporting. Trauma informed approach. Safety planning and MARAC	
Learning outcomes	<p>Raise awareness of how domestic and sexual violence can impact a teenager when their partner has perpetrated abuse or violence against them.</p> <p>Develop an understanding around definitions and statistics of YP experiencing abuse.</p> <p>Recognition of child development and trauma</p> <p>Identify specific risks & barriers, including indicators, a victim may have when dealing with this type of abuse.</p> <p>Key Principles of a Trauma-Informed Approach Safety planning, child protection and MARAC</p> <p>Identify any agencies that are available to support a client experiencing this type of abuse.</p>	
Target participants	Front line professionals working with vulnerable adults and young people	
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Teams • Face to face 	
Dates/times of planned sessions:	26 th Jan 2027- 10am-4pm 11 th Feb 2027 - 10am-4pm	Online F2F
Level of training:	Beginner	

Name of organisation:	Panahghar
Title of training being offered:	Domestic Abuse in BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) Communities
Type of training resource being offered:	Training
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to Face • MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 9.30 – 15.30pm</p> <p>20th May 2026 - online</p> <p>25th February 2027 – F2F</p>
Target Participants:	<p>This training focuses on raising awareness of Domestic Abuse within Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) communities. It explores the unique cultural, social, and systemic factors that contribute to these forms of abuse, including barriers to seeking help and accessing resources.</p> <p>Participants will gain insights into recognising signs of domestic abuse and harmful cultural practices, and will learn culturally sensitive strategies for providing support, empowering victims, and promoting independence within these communities.</p> <p>Participants will also gain confidence in supporting someone experiencing Domestic Abuse through an intersectional lens with cultural competence and a 'whole family' approach.</p> <p>Suitable for all professionals working with adults or children, particularly in BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) communities.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Learning outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the definition of Domestic Abuse and the different types of Harmful Cultural Practices present in BME communities. • To gain awareness of the barriers faced within BME communities. • To be confident in supporting someone experiencing Domestic Abuse through an intersectional lens with cultural competence and a 'whole family' approach. • Legislation awareness and best Practice guidance.

Name of organisation:	Panahghar
Title of training being offered:	Understanding Forced Marriage and so-called 'Honour' Based Abuse.
Type of training resource being offered:	Training
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to Face • MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 9.30 – 15.30pm</p> <p>18th June 2026 – F2F</p> <p>14th December 2026 - online</p>
Target Participants:	<p>This training focuses on raising awareness of Forced Marriage and Honour Based Abuse.</p> <p>It explores the unique cultural, social, and systemic factors that contribute to these forms of abuse, including barriers to seeking help and accessing resources.</p> <p>Participants will gain insights into recognising signs of forced marriage and honour-based abuse, and will learn culturally sensitive strategies for providing support, empowering victims, and promoting independence within these communities.</p> <p>Participants will also learn about FMPO (Forced Marriage Protection Orders) and all relevant legislation.</p> <p>Suitable for all professionals working with adults or children, particularly in BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) communities.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand the difference between Forced Marriage and Arranged Marriage, the definitions and prevalence. • To gain an understanding of Domestic Abuse and so-called 'Honour' Based Abuse and recognise the key warning signs. • To gain an awareness of the barriers faced within BME communities. • To be confident in supporting someone experiencing so called 'Honour' Based Abuse / Forced Marriage with cultural competence and a 'whole family' approach. • Legislation awareness and best practice guidance.

Name of organisation:	Panahghar
Title of training being offered:	Domestic abuse and immigration status - options and challenges
Type of training resource being offered:	Training
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to Face • MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 9.30 – 15.30pm</p> <p>29th September 2026 – online</p> <p>11th January 2027 – F2F</p>
Target Participants:	<p>This training provides a basic awareness immigration related issues in a domestic abuse context.</p> <p>It explores the unique cultural, social, and systemic factors that contribute to these forms of abuse, including barriers to seeking help and accessing resources.</p> <p>Participants will gain insights into recognising signs of domestic abused and immigration related issues. Participants will learn culturally sensitive strategies for providing support, empowering victims, and promoting independence within these communities.</p> <p>Suitable for all professionals working with adults or children, particularly in BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) communities.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To gain an understanding of Domestic Abuse and immigration issues in line with legislation. • To gain an awareness and understanding of the different types of visas. • To gain an awareness and understanding of the Migrant Victims of Domestic Abuse Concession (MVDAC). • To understand what is meant by 'No Recourse to Public Funds' (NRPF). • To gain an understanding of 'Asylum Seeking'. • To gain an understanding of the EU/EEU Settlement Scheme. • Legislation awareness. • Best Practice guidance.

Name of organisation:	Panahghar
Title of training being offered:	Domestic abuse and intersectionality
Type of training resource being offered:	Training
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to Face • MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	All 9.30 – 16.30pm 4 th November 2026 – F2F 12 th February 2027 – online
Target Participants:	
Learning Outcomes:	*NEW COURSE IN DEVELOPMENT DETAILS TO BE CIRCULATED IN DUE COURSE*

Name of organisation:	Panahghar
Title of training being offered:	Domestic abuse and sustaining safety after safe accommodation
Type of training resource being offered:	Training
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face to Face • MS Teams
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 9.30 – 15.30pm</p> <p>9th October 2026 – F2F</p> <p>9th March 2027 - online</p>
Target Participants:	
Learning Outcomes:	*NEW COURSE IN DEVELOPMENT DETAILS TO BE CIRCULATED IN DUE COURSE*

Name of organisation:	WALL
Title of training being offered:	Coercive Control
Type of training resource being offered:	Training Course
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Teams • Face to Face
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 10.00 – 16.00pm</p> <p>17th September 2026 (online)</p> <p>11th March 2027 (F2F)</p>
Target Participants:	<p>It is recommended that you have a basic understanding of Domestic Abuse, to attend this course.</p> <p>Anyone working with individuals or families who may have experience of domestic abuse.</p>
Learning Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be able to understand what coercive control is, and the dynamics of this type of abuse • To be confident in identifying coercive control and know how to support those experiencing this form of abuse

Name of organisation:	WALL
Title of training being offered:	Domestic Abuse Awareness
Type of training resource being offered:	Training Course
How the content will be delivered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MS Teams • Face to Face
Dates/times of planned sessions:	<p>All 10.00 – 16.00pm</p> <p>26th May 2026 – online 16th July 2026 – Online 20th October 2026 – F2F 9th December 2026 – F2F</p>
Target Participants:	Entry level training session for those with little or no, prior experience of domestic abuse.
Learning Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater understanding of Domestic abuse, the dynamics, presenting indicators on both children and adults, how professionals can respond and make a difference. • To be able to understand domestic abuse • To be able to understand the cycle of abuse • To be aware of the signs of domestic abuse • To be able to recognise and identify hidden abuse

Name of organisation:	Turning Point
Title of training being offered:	Domestic Abuse & Substance Misuse
Duration of each session:	Half day
How the content will be delivered:	Face to Face
Dates/times of planned sessions:	26 th November 2026 - 10am – 12.30pm 23 rd February 2027 - 1.30pm – 4.00pm
Target Participants:	Staff who work with service users where domestic abuse & substance misuse are present
Course content/Learning Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to increase their knowledge around the relationship between domestic abuse and substance use. • Session will consider relevant learning from domestic homicide reviews. • Challenge common misconceptions about domestic abuse and substance misuse • Share evidence of good practice and partnership working