

# Aspley DV project –update

**Main aim was to create a whole community approach to reducing repeat domestic violence**

## **Overview of some of the progress to date:**

- Actions planned to inform, educate or service different segments of the community
- Campaigns have been targeted through a variety of media and through a range of community settings and was a feature of weeks of action
- Great (Good Relationships are Equal And Trusting) project delivery is underway in local primary schools as is healthy relationships programme local secondary schools; a sixth form media campaign has been agreed;
- Training provided to school staff to co-deliver programmes for sustainability and to understand DV and how to respond to disclosure
- Training provided to all local professionals to create a common understanding of DV and how to respond to disclosure
- Freedom Programme© delivered for women from Aspley community, plans to introduce community change makers from programme cohorts
- New referral routes for DV have been established and greater family support provided
- Specific improvement activity in key services, such as Family Community Teams and police, regarding the quality of intervention in DV cases
- Healthy relationships programme delivered to all local young offenders and specific 'choices' for young people with greater signifiers of abusive behaviour has been commissioned, reviewing expansion to other cohorts

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## Areas requiring further development

- Introduction of community change makers
- Evaluating community attitude shifts
- Improving perpetrator interventions
- Introducing prevention programme for young males who are not on statutory orders

## Performance

- 3 fold increase in Aspley DV cases receiving intensive support since April
- 20% of intensive support cases have been self referral
- No significant change in the number of incidents of DV in Aspley
- However in April to September 2012 there was a 41% reduction in individuals who experienced repeat DV