

Freedom of Information Request 2026/27

Freedom of Information Request details:

requesting information regarding services for survivors of domestic violence and abuse in your local authority. The request aims to gain a full picture of the in-house services provided by your local authority; your local authority's spending on domestic abuse; and the tender evaluation criteria your local authority uses in domestic abuse commissioning.

This Freedom of Information request should be completed directly by the local authority and not referred to another organisation to complete. If you would like any clarification, or the request to be submitted in a different format.

Q1. In-house service provision

In-house provision refers to a service delivered directly by staff employed by the local authority and not contracted to another organisation.

If your local authority currently delivers any **in-house** domestic abuse or violence against women and girls (VAWG) services, please fill out this table with information about these in-house services. Please include any services which are delivered partially in-house. Please use a separate row for each service.

1.a. What domestic abuse or VAWG services does your local authority deliver in-house?	1.b. How long has this in-house service been running?	1.c. Has this in-house service replaced an existing service previously run by an alternative provider?	1.d. If yes to 1.c., what was the name of the previous provider?
e.g. IDVA service; outreach; refuge or safe accommodation	e.g. Since April 2021	e.g. Yes	e.g. Avon Valley Domestic Abuse Service
Community safety response: none			

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Q2. Domestic Abuse Spending

Looking at your total commissioned spend on domestic abuse and VAWG provision for the 2025/6 financial year (1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026), and adjusting for inflation, is it **higher, lower, or the same** as when you last commissioned domestic abuse provision?

Community Safety response: higher

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Q3: Domestic Abuse Tender Evaluation

Please fill out the table below with the following information for each procurement exercise undertaken by your local authority for domestic abuse or VAWG support services where the resulting contract was **active at any point during the 2025–26 financial year** (1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026). Please use one row for each separate tender.

3.a. Tender title/description	3.b. Month and year of award	c. Name of successful applicant	d. Number of applicants	e. Award criteria and weightings for the tender
<i>Please include a tender identification code if available.</i> <i>If joint/collaborative commissioning</i>		<i>Please list the name of the service rather than the name of the individual applicant.</i>	<i>Please only include compliant bids received at final submission stage.</i>	<i>Please list each award criterion and any immediate sub-criteria used to evaluate tender applications, together with their weightings expressed as a percentage of the</i>

<i>was conducted, please state the name of any other commissioning partners.</i>				<i>total available marks (totalling 100%).</i> <i>Where sub-criteria were used, please show their weighting as a percentage of the total (not just of the parent criterion).</i> <i>Individual evaluation questions, method statements etc. are not required.</i>
E.g. Domestic Abuse Refuge and Community Support Service. Reference number XYZ. Jointly commissioned between Ashcombe Vale Council and East Calder District Council.	E.g. May 2025	E.g. Avon Valley Domestic Abuse Services	E.g. 6	E.g. - Price – 30% - Quality – 70% - Service delivery model – 25% - Staffing, skills and capacity – 15% - Safeguarding and risk management - 10% - Partnership working – 10%

				○ Social Value – 10%
CD1375 - Domestic Abuse Accommodation Framework – Commissioned by SCC	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	• Charges (Price) 20% • Technical Evaluation (Quality) 80%, made up of: ○ Service delivery 30% ○ Relationship & Partnership Management 10% ○ Service Standards & Performance Development 15% ○ Service User Involvement & Experience 10% ○ Workforce Development 5% ○ Social Value 10%
CD1381 - Domestic Abuse Accommodation	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/037445-2023	• Charges (Price) 20%

Support Framework – Commissioned by SCC	tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/016258-2023	tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/016258-2023	tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/016258-2023	• Technical Evaluation (Quality) 80%, made up of: ○ Service delivery 30% ○ Relationship & Partnership Management 10% ○ Service Standards & Performance Development 15% ○ Service User Involvement & Experience 10% ○ Workforce Development 5% ○ Social Value 10%
CD1382 - Domestic Abuse Accommodation Triage, Outreach Service and Sanctuary Scheme Framework –	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/013871-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/013871-2023	Information in the public domain: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/013871-2023	• Charges (Price) 20% • Technical Evaluation (Quality) 80%, made up of:

Commissioned by SCC				○ Service delivery 30% ○ Relationship & Partnership Management 10% ○ Service Standards & Performance Development 15% ○ Service User Involvement & Experience 10% ○ Workforce Development 5% ○ Social Value 10%
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3.f. For each tender listed in the table above, please provide a copy of the document(s) setting out the evaluation criteria and weightings used to assess tender submissions. Please attach the document(s) as a PDF or a word document in your response.

Please do not redirect to tender portals which require a supplier account to be set up to access the requested documents, as this is not a reasonably accessible means of obtaining information in the context of requests covering historic tenders across multiple contracting authorities.

