

April 2023

Free TWSP multi-agency training

TWSP face-to-face training – either virtually or in-person – is available to all TWSP partner agencies. If you already have an Ollie account, please log in to Ollie and book your place, unless otherwise instructed. If you do not have an existing Ollie account, please email partnerships@telford.gov.uk and they will be able to assist.

If you have any problems using your Ollie account, please email ollie@telford.gov.uk

TWSP training is free for all professionals and practitioners but please ensure that when you complete your Ollie account form that you complete the billing details section. This is needed in the event of non-attendance or late cancellation, or where a course is chargeable. You will be notified if there is a charge for the course for non-attendance.

Other Training Opportunities

- [Partnership Guidance Workshop](#) - Tuesday 18 April 2023 from 9am-2pm face to face
- [TWSP Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability](#) - Monday 25 April 2023 from 10am - 12pm
- [Raising Awareness of Child Protection](#); Wednesday 26 April 2023 from 9:30am - 12:30pm via Teams
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Friday 28 April 2023 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [Partnership Guidance Workshop](#) - Thursday 18 May 2023 from 1pm-4pm face to face
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Friday 26 May 2023 from 9:30am-1pm face to face
- [St Giles SOS+ Training](#) - Tuesday 6 June from 10am - 12pm via Teams
- [St Giles SOS+ Training](#) - Tuesday 6 June from 3pm - 5pm via Teams
- [Partnership Guidance Workshop](#) - Monday 12 June 2023 from 10am-1pm face to face
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Thursday 15 June 2023 from 12:30pm-4pm face to face
- [St Giles SOS+ Training](#) - Thursday 15 June from 3pm - 5pm 12pm via Teams

- [St Giles SOS+ Training](#) - Thursday 15 June from 6pm - 8pm via Teams
- [Managing Allegations \(LADO\)](#) - Tuesday 20 June 2023 from 1pm - 3:30pm via Teams
- [Raising Awareness of Child Protection](#); Thursday 29 June 2023 from 9:30am - 12:30pm via Teams
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Tuesday 4 July 2023 from 12:30pm-4pm face to face
- [Raising Awareness of Private Fostering](#) - Thursday 6 July 2pm-3pm via Teams
- [Partnership Guidance Workshop](#) - Friday 7 July 2023 from 10am-1pm face to face
- [Raising Awareness of Private Fostering](#) - Tuesday 11 July 2pm-3pm via Teams
- [TWSP Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability](#) - Thursday 13 July 2023 from 9:30am - 11:30am
- [Raising Awareness of Private Fostering](#) - Thursday 14 September 2pm-3pm via Teams
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Tuesday 19 September 2023 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Tuesday 26 September 2023 from 5:30pm -9pm face to face
- [Raising Awareness of Child Protection](#); Friday 6 October 2023 from 9:30am - 12:30pm via Teams
- [TWSP Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability](#) - Tuesday 10 October 2023 from 9:00am - 11:00am
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Wednesday 25 October 2023 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [Raising Awareness of Private Fostering](#) - Thursday 23 November 2pm-3pm via Teams
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Monday 27 November 2023 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [Raising Awareness of Child Protection](#); Tuesday 9 January 2024 from 9:30am - 12:30pm via Teams
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Wednesday 10 January 2024 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [TWSP Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability](#) - Thursday 25 January 2024 from 9:00am - 11:00am
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Thursday 22 February 2024 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [Brook Traffic Light Tool](#) - Monday 4 March 2024 from 9:30am -1pm face to face
- [TWSP Raising Awareness of Exploitation and Vulnerability](#) - Friday 19 April 2024 from 9:00am - 11:00am



Partnership Guidance Workshops

Following the successful Threshold of Need Conference there are workshop dates available for those who were unable to attend. The Partnership guidance workshops are aimed at all professionals working with children, young people and their families in Telford and Wrekin. Please see more information

and to book onto the workshops [here](#). Please see full document [here](#).

The logo for St Giles, featuring the text "St Giles" in a bold, dark blue font on a yellow rectangular background.

Turning a past into a future

Do you work with children and young people who could be exposed to gang involvement, exploitation and violence?

We are hosting four St Giles SOS+ training sessions for all partners to attend. Each session will be 2 hours and cover county lines, grooming and exploitation. Please use [this link](#) to book a place and find more information [here](#).

Learning from Statutory Reviews

The Power of Words and Phrases When Recording Information in Case Files

Following learning from a rapid review, the use of language was highlighted. A document was created on the best practice language. Please find the document [here](#).

[This blog](#) considers the implications of using terms that are inappropriate if one just thinks about how they can be interpreted.



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This learning was identified through the CSPR for CSPR3 and CSPR10. Find more information and resources [here](#).

7 Minute Briefing - Professional curiosity

The TWSP have created a 7 minute briefing around professional curiosity. Please see the briefing note [here](#).

7 Minute Briefing - Self Neglect

The TWSP have created a 7 minute briefing around self neglect. Please see the briefing note [here](#).

Telford & Wrekin Domestic Abuse Local Partnership (DALP) Briefing March 2023

- **The National Survivors Survey** and subsequent mapping work undertaken to understand service provision (patchwork of provision) was presented by the Domestic Abuse Commissioner's Office Lead for the Midlands. The mapping of services is a core DA Act duty and findings from the survey and mapping exercise can be found on the website <https://domesticabusecommissioner.uk/>.
 - **New Domestic Abuse Service** – the contract is being awarded to Cranstoun - a national organisation with a proven track record. Cranstoun will be working alongside West Mercia Women's Aid to deliver: the perpetrator programme, support for children and young people and the organisation safer accommodation. Meetings have taken place between the new service provider and existing providers to develop a risk management plan to support a smooth change over for victims currently in service and to work through logistics e.g. data transfer and staffing capacity.
 - **The Domestic Abuse Forum** updated the Board on work streams a key ask is that the Ambassador & community training programme needs more engagement from GPs, police and town and parish Councillors. Dean – the Forum's Independent Chair highlighted that Telford & Wrekin are the first local authority in the country to sign the Child to Parents Abuse Covenant. Dean has been invited to be part of the Survivor Participation plenary Q&A panel at the Domestic Abuse Commissioners in Manchester on 28th & 29th
 - **Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)** - updates include information on the success of the White Ribbon event in November 2022 and ongoing campaign planning as well as work Loudmouth Theatre in Education work in schools. The second annual 'Safety Matters' survey is gathering the views of local women and girls aged 16+ to direct work on VAWG, the is open until March 20th <https://telford.researchfeedback.net/s.asp?k=167084807151>
 - **The VOICE (Victims Of Intimate Coercive Experience) programme** overview was presented by the Family Safeguarding DA Practitioners. This 10 week psychoeducational programme for victims and survivors of domestic abuse & coercive control is seen as an extremely valuable programme to participants and practitioners alike and is being reviewed as a replacement to the Freedom Programme.
 - **MARAC update** – work is being undertaken by the police to review the current MARAC processes across West Mercia to ensure the needs of perpetrators are met to reduce re-offending and increase awareness of behaviours. The review aims to have a more systematic approach across the policing areas, e.g. establishing a perpetrator panel in T&W as per other areas in West Mercia.
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Telford & Wrekin Domestic Abuse Strategy 2023 - 2025

The Telford and Wrekin Domestic Abuse Strategy for 2023-2025 has now been launched. Please find the full document [here](#).

Free Domestic Abuse Training Dates

STAY are offering the following training sessions.

Tuesday 18th April: Rape & Sexual Violence (9.30am-12.00pm)

Wednesday 19th April: FGM & Harmful Practices (1.00pm-3.00pm)

If you would like to book yourself, or a colleague onto the training then please pop an email over to either training@staytelford.co.uk or ninagee@staytelford.co.uk



Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) Website

For interactive data and statistics about the people and the communities of Telford and Wrekin please visit our new [JSNA website](#) which also has information from the 2021 census!

Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Act

The implementation of the Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Act on 27th February 2023 is an important development and a significant step towards eliminating child marriage in all its forms throughout England and Wales.

This legislation bans marriage for 16 and 17-year-olds, who no longer will be allowed to marry or enter a civil partnership, even if they have parental consent, as the legal age of marriage rises to 18.

It is now illegal and a criminal offence to exploit vulnerable children by arranging for them to marry, under any circumstances whether or not force is used.

Please take a look at the following links that provide context to this subject both from a outline of the change to the law as well as from a survivors perspective.

[Farhana: survivor of child marriage – Karma Nirvana](#)

[New Child Marriage law Statement – Karma Nirvana](#)

Fabricated and Induced Illness (Adult Safeguarding) Webinar Recording

A recent Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) featured suspected Fabricated and Induced Illness (FII) in a young adult. It highlighted the lack of familiarity or experience with FII among some local authority adult social care practitioners. It also highlighted the lack of safeguarding guidance related to FII in adults for adult social care safeguarding teams. The Department of Health and Social Care therefore asked SCIE to begin to fill this gap.

Local authority adult social care practitioners may have safeguarding concerns raised with them about FII in an adult in their area. FII is not a familiar concept in adult safeguarding practice, unlike in child protection networks where there is more awareness. In the field of child protection, it has become a contentious and contested term.

Please find recorded webinar and slides [here](#).

Tri - Ministerial Letter ‘Stable Homes; Built on Love’

The Government have published a bold and ambitious plan to reform children’s social care which sets out system-wide transformation of children’s social care designed to address urgent issues facing children and families. Please see more information [here](#).

Hoarding Awareness Week 2023 Event

Hoarding Awareness Week 2023 - Webinar - The Hoarded Brain

Mon, 15 May 2023 15:00 - 16:30 (Free to attend) - How often do you hear that a hoarded home is a fire risk – it is an automatic assumption? Alan Swift, a retired fire fighter talks about this and his training for the fire service. He now does sensitive clearance work for people who hoard and continues to work within the community using his knowledge and skills to help those in need. Book your place [here](#).

Tue, 16 May 2023 15:00 - 16:30 (Free to attend) - What are the differences in the brain of someone who hoards compared to someone who doesn’t. Sam Wainman, Psychologist & PhD Researcher at Clouds End, walks us through how the trauma/hoarding brain has different thinking and how this can be utilised for understanding and supporting those with Hoarding Disorder/Behaviour. Book your place [here](#).

Appointment of MPFT Director of Lived Experience

MPFT have appointed Mel Ball to be their new Director of Lived Experience.

Mel started her career as a peer worker in a therapeutic community. Since then, she has worked in a diverse range of settings across a number of voluntary, community and NHS organisations. Mel has worked in services across CAMHS, adult inpatient and community mental health, high secure services, and in a prison.

Mel is also a public speaker, trainer, researcher and supervisor. She has taught at a number of universities and she has published regularly throughout her career on the topic of lived experience working.

Mel is currently the Head of Lived Experience Workforce at Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust where she also co-leads the Lived Experience of Mental Health Issues Stigma Transformation (LEMHIST) Staff Network.

The Director of Lived Experience is a new role at MPFT and they are excited to welcome Mel to the Trust Board, utilising her passion and experience to enable our services to be safer and more effective.

At MPFT they are committed to improving the experience and outcomes for everyone using their services, their families, and carers. The Board and chief executive see the excellent contribution of our lived experience colleagues and see the appointment of Mel an important next step in ensuring co-production is at the centre of our services in the future.



If there is anything that you would like sharing in future newsletters, please email partnerships@telford.gov.uk



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