Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference

Detective Chief Inspector Jon McAdam

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What is MARAC

The MARAC is a victim-focused meeting where information is shared on the highest risk cases of Domestic Abuse between Partner Agencies, to enable safety planning to take place.

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How risk is assessed

- Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Harassment Risk Identification Checklist.
- Professional judgement.
- Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub referral.
- Contact with the MARAC Co-ordinator.



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Who attends

Cambridgeshire MARAC -

Police Chair, Police (OIC), MARAC Co-ordinator (Fiona Mcgrath or Clare Matthews), IDVA service, Children's Social Care, Inclusion, Bench and National Probation Service, Mental Health, Housing Associations, Education, Adult social care, Refuge.

Peterborough MARAC -

Police Chair, Police (OIC), MARAC Co-ordinator (Mandy Thorpe or Clare Dicker), Women's Aid (IDVA service/refuge), Children's Social Care Manager, Education, Housing Associations, Bench and National Probation Service, Aspire.

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Process

Daily MARAC

- Hears cases from within last 48 to 72 hours.
- Each case is allocated 15 minutes (2 heard per day in Peterborough and up to 4 per day in Cambridgeshire).
- Adapt according to need and public holidays.

MARAC Plus

- More time allocated.
- Sits in Cambridgeshire every Wednesday at 1230 hours and in Peterborough every Thursday at 1230 hours.
- Same partners represented.
- Chair is Tracy Foster and Deirdre Reed.

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Actions

Each agency is allocated actions as required. These are managed on our case management system Modus.

MARAC Co-ordinator puts these on the system for each agency to then update against.

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Conclusion

MARAC is about getting all agencies together who can work collectively to protect a victim of Domestic Abuse, and their immediate family, from serious harm and/or death.

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