

Havering

Qtr	Scope of work	Service area	Project	Highlights
14	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Attended VAWG forum on 17.07.25 and created new links with statutory services and VAWG organisations in the borough.
14	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	This quarter, Partners supported a service user in applying for an MVDAC, enabling her and her children to move safely into a refuge. They also attended the Havering VAWG Forum on 17/07/2025 to reinforce local partnerships and raise awareness of their services.
14	Havering	2.1 Prevention (children and young people)	ASCENT Prevention Project (April 24 - March 26)	3 x application from Havering for the Ascent Prevention Specialist Training Programme - Working with boys and young men (Pilot) in partnership with Respect 1 x application from Assistant headteacher 1 x application from Academy Safeguarding Officer 1 x application from Social Sciences Lead
14	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Nothing to report
14	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1 x Community Development Officer from Havering attended the Ascent Bid writing Workshop.
14	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	Attended the Havering Homelessness Forum and fed into the upcoming three year strategy review. Follow up meeting planned to be held with the Assistant Director of Housing Demand at London Borough of Havering to explore how London PLUS can further support next quarter.
14	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Delivered timely housing advice to a client at risk of homelessness due to rent arrears and tenancy breakdown. By negotiating with the landlord, arranging support through the local authority, and helping the client understand their rights and options, the eviction was avoided. This outcome highlights the importance of early intervention and informed guidance in preventing housing loss. We have supported 1 client into crisis accommodation.
14	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	Pan-London domestic and sexual violence helplines project	Partners held an online drop-in open to professionals across all London boroughs, on 9th September, to share information about the important work of our Helplines, including what we do, who we support, how we work and the impact of the partnership on survivors throughout London. This was very well attended with 77 attendees (32 more than last Q1) from across London. The invite was widely shared across boroughs, organisations and services and attendees were from charities, NHS and councils.
13	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Ashiana made a new referral link with Elat School. Woman's Trust lowered their waiting lists. SBS received positive feedback from service users accessing their service.

13	Havering	2.1 Prevention (children and young people)	ASCENT Prevention Project (April 24 - March 26)	We completed work with Havering College in Q3, after identifying Havering as a Borough of need we worked with the Partnership and Learning Manager for the Multi-agency Safeguarding Partnerships- Safeguarding Adults Board & Safeguarding Children's Partnership. We delivered Outreach presentations in Q3 and Q4 at the primary and secondary school Cluster meetings, this led to us delivering a series of workshops at the Mawney Foundation School. Scheduled teacher training was cancelled and rescheduled to the September inset day.
13	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Nothing to report
13	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1 x New organisation reached 1 ASB/DA officer attended Expert led training: DA Act 2021: An overview (13 May 2025) 1 ASB/DA officer attended Indefinite Leave for Victims of Domestic Abuse (9 May 2025)
13	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	We have supported 1 client into crisis accommodation and 1 client into long term housing.
13	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	Praxis ran fortnightly face-to-face drop-in at the YMCA in Romford for one-off advice and ongoing immigration casework.
13	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	Pan-London domestic and sexual violence helplines project	Online drop-in held for all London boroughs on 24th June, to share information about the important work of all partner Helplines, and to answer questions. Included a focus on volunteering. Very well attended with 45 attendees from across London. Emails sent to VAWG leads on 5th June, including invite to online drop-in. Follow up email sent with presentation slides.
12	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Ashiana attended Havering VAWG Forum on 30.01.2025.
12	Havering	2.1 Prevention (children and young people)	ASCENT Prevention Project (April 24 - March 26)	The partnership worked with Havering 6th Form College in the previous quarter. This quarter the Coordinator presented at 2 x Primary Network HSCP PSHE Meetings and 1 x Secondary PSHE Meeting in Havering. The Coordinator is scheduled to present at one final Secondary Cluster meeting on 1st May 2025. Attendance at the earlier meetings was used to bolster our Outreach efforts however the focus is on Secondary Schools, three different schools expressed interest in the Ascent Partnership offer with one school interested in staff training.
12	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Nothing to report
12	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	London Borough of Havering Senior Housing Officer The Domestic Abuse Act and Perpetrator Work - the need for multiagency working London Borough of Havering ASYE Social Worker Domestic Abuse Act 2021 – Injunctions and powers for dealing with domestic abuse
12	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	The HARP worker has continued joint working with probation staff from Havering while based at Grays Court. This includes providing housing advice, case discussions, and supporting staff with queries related to client accommodation needs. This collaboration helps strengthen referral pathways and ensures that clients are receiving timely and appropriate support.
12	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	We attended the Havering Homelessness Forum to promoted London PLUS.
12	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	London Refuges Data Collection Project (delivery ended 31 March 2025)	This borough renewed their complimentary UK Gold Book subscription during the quarter.

12	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	Pan-London domestic and sexual violence helplines project	Email sent to VAWG lead on 10th March, including invite to online drop-in. Online drop-in for all London boroughs help on 18th March to share information about the important work of all partner Helplines, and to answer questions. 13 attendees.
11	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	ROW delivered training on rules on mediation in family cases for survivors of domestic abuse. Solace Advice successfully raised concerns regarding practice issues within the Havering Housing Department.
11	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	This quarter, service users in Havering were assisted with referrals to refuges, immigration support, and counselling. Partners promoted their services during the 16 Days of Activism coffee morning. On 21st October 2024, they attended the VAWG Forum, where the MET delivered data on VAWG and discussed the CAADA Dash, with Victim Support sharing information on making referrals. On 29th November 2024, Partners held a stall at Havering College Sixth Form as part of the 16 Days of Activism, and also delivered an outreach session on FGM, attended by 47 students and staff. On 2nd December 2024, they hosted a networking coffee morning at Royal Jubilee Court, engaging with borough residents and professionals to discuss the Partners services.
11	Havering	2.1 Prevention (children and young people)	ASCENT Prevention Project (April 24 - March 26)	Havering have expressed interest in the Ascent Partnership offer, the coordinator met with Elisabeth Major from the Safeguarding Adults Board & Safeguarding Children's Partnership. The Lead will work collaboratively with the Partnership to deliver a presentations as follows with a view to delivering a program of work in the borough: Primary Network HSCP PSHE Meeting 29/01/2025 Primary Network HSCP PSHE Meeting 12/02/2025 Secondary PSHE Meeting in Havering
11	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Nothing to report
11	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	Attended Havering Forum and shared good practice, opportunities and events that are taking place to enhance knowledge.
11	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Although we didnt have a new client for this quarter, we are still supporting Havering clients from previous quarter. We Support clients with a DTR with Havering
11	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	Programme Manager targeted specific borough housing officers to promote the LYG programme and offered meeting slots to discuss how homeless young people can be supported in the borough.
11	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	We had 2 referrals made to our service: 1 was from a mainstream IDVA service and the other was from Refuge. However, we have made a few attempts to contact one client with no success so we had to close the case. With the 2nd referral, the client decided that they didn't want the support so we informed them that we are here if they do change their mind.
10	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Solace Advice noted that there has been a 40% increase in service user engagement compared to last quarter.
10	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	Havering Supporting women in a hybrid format has led to increased completion rates for the 20-week counselling contracts, as more women are able to engage fully without disengaging. This approach has significantly reduced the number of "Did Not Attend" (DNA) instances among clients, contributing to more successful outcomes.
10	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	The client Ashiana assisted this quarter was on a spousal visa and was entirely dependent on her husband for support financially and with accommodation. Through advice and assistance, the client was supported with a Migrant Victims of Domestic Abuse Concession (MVDAC) application and thereafter submitted her ILR application.

10	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1x IDVA 1x Community safety officer - VAWG lead attended Expert Led Training: Domestic Abuse Act 2021: protection for survivors in legal proceedings 1x Senior IDVA 1x Projects Officer - ASB- Community Safety 1x IDVA 1x Community safety officer - VAWG lead attended Specialist Briefing Session: Domestic Abuse Act (Borough Officers)
10	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Hosted a visit to HMP Pentonville for a number of the housing team to improve working relationships. Built positive reciprocal relationship between healthcare, OMU and HMP. breaking down barriers Did presentation at Havering Homeless Forum re HARP/AFEO work at B & D council got to know different services Shared accommodation resources and PRS landlords/agents.
10	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	We attended the Homelessness Forum in Havering and shared wider sector updates and opportunities. We represented the operational City and Hackney forum as chair and shared information re PRS Forum and upcoming policy changes.
10	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	LYG contacted housing officers in the borough during Y3-Q2 to promote the programme and offer meetings slots for further comms.
10	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	We had 2 referral made from this borough; one from the local police and the other was from the local mental health service.
9	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Ashiana attended the VAWG forum on 22.04.2024. JWA met with Havering Women's Aid.
9	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	The service user who fled from Havering was at Frances House for 13 months, during this time the first 3 months were spent supporting the service user with her immigration and she was successful in being granted the DDVC (Destitute and Domestic Violence Concession) and then was successful in her application for ILR (Indefinite Leave to Remain). The service user was supported to claim all the benefits she was entitled to like UC (Universal Credit) and housing benefit. Initially the Service User said that she waited to get into college and she was supported to start ESOL and a hair and beauty course but due to her mental health she was unable to manage the demands of the course. The Service User was a high-risk victim and was referred to MARAC. She was supported to report to the police and get a one year non molestation order in place and was supported to attend court hearings. She was supported to apply for a Freedom pass and Taxi card due to her stress and anxiety when travelling alone and this will be vital for her resettlement to enable her to function more independently in the community. Although it can be difficult getting service users a freedom pass based more on their mental health. The service user was supported to make a successful homeless application to the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea.
9	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1 x Senior Practitioner, NRPF Team, attended Webinar: What does the domestic abuse act mean for frontline practitioners in relation to perpetrator work 1 x Welfare officer and 1 x Refugee and Crisis Response team leader attended Expert led training: Migrant women and immigration control
9	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	We have successfully placed four clients from Havering into long-term housing. As part of their housing plan, we have also arranged for the additional ongoing support they require.
9	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	LYG contacted housing borough officers in Y3-Q1 to arrange a meeting to promote the programme. We are pleased to welcome an increase in new users in the borough in Q1.
9	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	We delivered a workshop; DA in the Deaf Community to Havering Safeguarding Partnership Group on 9th May - 10 attendees

8	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Solace attended the Havering VAWG forum. They advertised Advice Hub services and referral pathways this quarter.
8	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Nothing to report
8	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1 ASB domestic abuse officer, 1 housing solutions officer domestic abuse, 1 antisocial behaviour officer 1 floating support worker and 1 IDVA attended Expert Led Session Domestic Abuse Act 2021 – Injunctions and powers for dealing with domestic abuse (DAPOs)
8	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Partnerships have been established with Phoenix Futures and Housing Dilemmas, which is a new Supported Housing CIC accommodating one client in Romford.
7	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Ashiana held a stall at Barking College, engaging with students and teachers, and providing information about their services 30 November 2023. IMECE counselling services over achieved the target in this borough's cluster. Waiting list will be closed next quarter for this borough.
7	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	Working with service users: provided emotional support to all four. Support work for these service users included a referral to MASH for one service user, a referral to our Immigration Team for two service users and a referral to the borough IDVA service for one.
7	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Ascent Specialist Refuge partnership (from April 23)	Ashiana's Partnership Officer met Sarah Strang at the London Councils Networking Event on 22.11.23. This was a great opportunity to introduce herself and the Ascent Refuge Provision. Sarah provided Ashiana with the opportunity to attend a number of events (30/11/23 – Havering 6th form college and 07/12/23 – Ardleigh green college) to promote all of their services to young girls. Ashiana's Partnership Officer also attended a meeting with Sarah Strang and Diane Eagan (Head of Havering Community Safety Partnership) to further promote the Ascent Specialist Refuge Provision. They discussed ways in which they could work together to support women in Havering.
7	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Supporting clients with tenancy sustainment
7	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	Attended Havering Forum where we consulted on their new Allocations Policy for social housing contributing suggestions reflected from national policy with a trauma informed approach.
7	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	N/A
6	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	Ashiana: Attended the VAWG Forum on July 31st. JWA: Contributed to Havering VAWG strategy.
6	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	Service user was provided with a supporting letter so she was able to access Legal Aid for divorce and another service user was supported to access Moving Forward Support Group Programme.
6	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	1 x IDVA attended Specialist Briefing Session: Domestic Abuse Act (with borough officers)
6	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	Praxis hold a fortnightly face-to-face drop-in at the YMCA in Romford for one-off advice and ongoing immigration casework.
6	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	Pan-London domestic and sexual violence helplines project	Attended partnership drop-in on 26.9.23; WGN presented on helplines at VAWG forum.

5	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	- Ashiana's attendance at the VAWG Forum. ' - Progress made establishing contacts within the borough to have more service visibility in subsequent quarters.
5	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	Our trauma counselling work with women has been successful and we have ensured that this is trauma informed, where women are provided with safe spaces to talk and to be listened to.
5	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	Attending the Homelessness Forum - provided info on upcoming training provided by London PLUS, advertised our consultancy offer for VCS orgs and provided good practice on hot weather SWEP all via our branding.
5	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	NHYC attendeed Havering Homelessness Forum on 15th June where Louise Coveney spoke about the work of the Complex Needs team. NHYC also presented to Havering Rough Sleeping Team on 12th June to discuss our work and potential to support young people who are rough sleeping in Havering. The team reported numbers of young people encountered rough sleeping in Havering are few but they were pleased to have details of the Central Point of Access should young people present.
5	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	STAR Partnership	Praxis started running a fortnightly drop in out of the YMCA in Romford to support people with challenges around immigration status
5	Havering	1.2 Prevention and targeted intervention for rough sleepers	StreetLink London Advice Line	No highlights from quarter 5 to report.
4	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	Ascent Advice and Counselling Project	1) New referral links made. 2) Solidifying plans for the new year. 3) Ashiana attended the Havering VAWG Forum.
4	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	We continue to provide one to one support and counselling services to women who have been affected by harmful practices in the borough.
4	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	Attended the Homelessness Forum and contributed to ongoing development of resources in the borough as well as presented good practice and training that we deliver.
4	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	New Horizon Youth Centre have attended Havering's homelessness forum to contribute and network with other agencies in the borough. Depaul's Housing Advice team has had contact with New City College Ardleigh Green Campus. Enrichment and Safeguarding Manager - kelly.braidwood@ncc.ac.uk
3	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	Attended a VAWG meeting in Havering on 17/10/2022.
3	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	2 Officers attended Domestic Abuse Act 2021 – offences involving violent or abusive behaviour 1 x Community safety manager attended Q&A with MOPAC and MET on Casey Report 1 x IDVA attended Professional Resilience & Self Care
3	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	Joint working with the Havering rough sleeper team has resulted in two vulnerable rough sleepers being placed into accommodation from custody. Effective professional relationship established with a specific housing options officer.
3	Havering	2.1 Prevention (children and young people)	Healthy London, Healthy Relationships (HLHR) (delivery ended 2023)	Two partners delivered sessions at Havering Sixth Form college reaching students and teachers.
3	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	London Refuges Data Collection Project (delivery ended 31 March 2025)	This borough renewed their complimentary UK Gold Book subscription.

3	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	We focused on reaching out to CYP services in this quarter, and sent emails providing details of our services to both council and VCS contacts.
3	Havering	2.3 Helpline services	Pan-London domestic and sexual violence helplines project	Borough lead sent communication (re)introducing the partnership and inviting to drop-in session on 24th January where all partners would summarise service, share data on number of London callers and promotional resources, and have Q&A.
3	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	N/A
3	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Specialist Refuge Network (Yr 6) 22-23 only	N/A
3	Havering	1.2 Prevention and targeted intervention for rough sleepers	StreetLink London Advice Line	No highlights from quarter 3 to report.
2	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	No highlights to report
2	Havering	2.5 Improving the response to domestic and sexual abuse in London	Ascent: Support Services to Organisations	2 Borough officers from Havering engaged with our offer this quarter: Specialist Briefing: Domestic Abuse Act 2021 (with Borough Officers) attended by: 1 x Senior IDVA 1 x Community Safety Officer
2	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	NHYC attended the Havering homelessness forum
2	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	N/A
2	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Specialist Refuge Network (Yr 6) 22-23 only	nia delivered four Domestic Violence awareness raising / Introduction to nia's services sessions to four professionals, this quarter. The sessions were delivered on the 11th, 13th and 19th July 2022 and the 4th August 2022 to WDP-Havering (Westminster Drug Project), Aspire- Havering, Cassiobury Court Rehab and DWP. Although the delivery carried out was to a small number of professionals, the aim was to raise awareness of nia's services and to maximise referrals from the borough, for the next few quarters.
2	Havering	1.2 Prevention and targeted intervention for rough sleepers	StreetLink London Advice Line	No highlights from quarter 2 to report.
1	Havering	2.6 Services for people affected by harmful practices	Ascent Ending Harmful Practices Partnership	We provided advocacy casework support.
1	Havering	1.1 Prevention and targeted intervention	HARP Connect	N/A
1	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Partnership	We have supported survivors in the borough but not under DAP. However, it has helped with contacts in the borough, e.g. with officer and VAWG/DV Lead.
1	Havering	1.4 Improving the response to homelessness in London	London PLUS	N/A at this stage
1	Havering	1.3 Prevention and targeted intervention for young people	London Youth Gateway (LYG)	LYG presentation at the Havering homelessness forum.
1	Havering	2.2 Specialist advice, counselling and support	SignHealth Deaf Domestic Abuse Service	N/A

1	Havering	2.4 Emergency refuge accommodation	Specialist Refuge Network (Yr 6) 22-23 only	This quarter, nia delivered training and Awareness raising sessions to seven professionals. Five professionals attended a training session on Working with women experiencing multiple disadvantage on the 29th June 2022 and nia also delivered two awareness raising sessions to two professionals on the 21st April 2022 and the 15th June 2022.
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