Appendix A: Multi-agency Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION	Scope of Recomme ndation	Action to be taken	Lead Agency	Key milestones to enact recommendation	Target date	Progress indicator	Agency response to recommendations	Date of completion and outcome
What is the over-arching recommendation?	Local, regional or national level?	How relevant agency will make this recommendation happen? What actions need to occur?			From date of report.	Red Amber Green		
Recommendation 1 A programme of robust communications should be developed aimed at increasing awareness, knowledge and understanding of domestic abuse, coercive control and associated risk among potential victims, family, friends, colleagues, employers, professionals and the community. The campaign should include appropriate sources of support for children, and profile abusive behaviours used by perpetrators with the aim of challenging the behaviour and making it socially unacceptable.	Local	This action will be progressed through the county-wide Violence Against Women and Girls (Men and Boys) VAWGMB group.	Suffolk Violence Against Women and Girls/Men and Boys Steering Group	First meeting February 2019	Completion by end November 2019	Amber	Updated 04/06/2019: In April 2019, on behalf of the Suffolk System, SCC launched a Domestic Abuse Champions Network. Identified 'champions' are provided with FREE training to have the skills to spread awareness to other colleagues and act as the 'go to person' for information between their own agency and local support services.	

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The Network will
offer Champions a
variety of support,
knowledge, multi-
agency links as well
as access to
training and
events. Champions
will offer consistent
information, advice
and support which
will help to bring
lasting positive
changes for the
victim. Reaching
victims as early as
possible will
prevent further
harm.
SCC have employed
two part time
Champion
Coordinators who
as well as
delivering the
training are able to
deliver bespoke
sessions to
individual teams
and organisations
across Suffolk,
currently working

							with the University of Suffolk, DWP, Home Start and others.
Recommendation 2 The promotion of a safe and, if necessary, anonymous reporting mechanism should be identified for advice and third-party reporting of concerns by those who have knowledge of domestic abuse being experienced or perpetrated by someone they know.	Local	This action will be progressed through the county-wide Violence Against Women and Girls (Men and Boys) VAWGMB group.	Suffolk Violence Against Women and Girls/Men and Boys Steering Group	First meeting February 2019	Completion by end November 2019	Amber	Updated 04/06/2019: It has long been an aspiration to develop a Suffolk Coordination Centre for Domestic Abuse in order to; 1) better understand pathways and demand in order to inform intelligent commissioning 2) provide an accessible route into services for ALL victims of DA, families, friends and perpetrators to get the right help at the right time, avoiding duplication. Work continues with the national charity SafeLives who are helping to

							model what a Coordination Centre would look like for Suffolk. SafeLives have now reported back to the Steering Group who will consider the options before deciding whether or not to move to Stage Two which will see a model developed for Suffolk.	
Recommendation 3. That all children in educational settings (primary, secondary schools and academies) and organisations supporting those not attending educational settings across Suffolk help children to understand healthy and respectful relationships.	Local	This action will be progressed through the county-wide Violence Against Women and Girls (Men and Boys) VAWGMB group.	Suffolk Violence Against Women and Girls/Men and Boys Steering Group	First meeting February 2019	Completion by end November 2019	Amber	Updated 04/06/2019: Public Health at Suffolk County Council have appointed to a full- time, 18-month, Schools Engagement Coordinator post. The role has been developed to help school deliver the new RSE guidance which becomes statutory in September 2020.	

		The work
		programme is
		currently being
		developed with the
		Suffolk
		Headteachers
		Associations but
		will essentially help
		link schools to local
		support services as
		well as advocating
		the resources that
		are available