



Public Accountability Meeting

Offender Management

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Offender Management

In February 2020 HMIP and HMICFRS released a joint national thematic inspection of integrated offender management.

Improvement areas included;

- Unclear decision-making processes
- Difficulties/delays in offenders accessing services
- Rehabilitation work being completed by police rather than partners





The Trinity Scheme.

Trinity was a new and fresh approach to Integrated Offender Management (IOM) which manages those offenders who cause most harm to our communities in North Yorkshire and the City of York. The scheme aims to provide bespoke rehabilitative pathways for offenders by identifying their triggers for offending in order to:

Reduce the negative impact of crime and reoffending

Reduce the number of people who become victims of crime

Help to improve the public's confidence in the criminal justice system.



SUPPORT-INTERVENE-DISRUPT

PATHWAYS

- Accommodation
- Education, training and employment
- Alcohol and drugs
- Financial management and income
- Intimate relationships
- Family, lifestyle and associates
- Attitudes, thinking, behaviour and Restorative Justice
- Mental and physical health



Offender Management Case overview

Active RSO

- 103 - Hambleton / Richmond
- 312 – York & Selby
- 200 – Scarborough & Ryedale
- 173 – Harrogate and Craven
- 249 - detained

Trinity IOM

- 53 active cases
- 93 case referrals since start (some not adopted)
- 32 cases deregistered from scheme – 10 of which with a successful deregistration (32%)
- Out of the remaining 22 deregistration – 19 had a lower score upon deregistration
- Of the total 32 deregistration's 72% have not reoffended since
- Just under 90% of caseload deregistered with lower score



Challenges Overcome

- Covid restrictions have limited contact, contact maintained using technology
- Partner agencies now have dedicated officers
- Priority services are now being offered
- Other stakeholders are offering support
- Lead agencies taking lead for their rehabilitation programmes
- Frequent meetings to address new emerging pathways
- Tracking of offenders through research officers
- Links with prisons to enable referrals prior to release
- Prison visits to start again in future
- Links with Youth Teams for early intervention and transition between services
- Funding to enable quick to me support / address issues as they arise
- Managers on the national refresh working groups to enable adaption to fit new guidance



CASE 107

- Referred in by local Housing Partnership
- History of harassment, assaults, drugs, damage, public disorder and Domestic Violence. History of Mental Health issues
- No stable accommodation, no employment, drug use, previous time in prison, previous IOM disengagement prior to Trinity Scheme.

NOW

- No longer a Class A drug user
- Looking for employment / benefits in place
- Stable relationship – Child services supporting
- Stable accommodation – Bidding on properties
- Stable finances – No rent arrears
- No further offending / arrests
- Under doctor / treatment for Mental Health support
- Engaging with rehabilitation programme
- Fully engaged with the Trinity partners
- Continues to be supported
- Offending / Pathways score reduced to 0



Domestic Abuse Reducing Reoffending & Harm Prevention: Perpetrator Work & System Improvements

MATAC (Multi-Agency Tasking & Co-ordination) sustainability
Support for Young People Displaying High Risk Abusive Behaviours



Role and Functions

- Multi agency tasking and coordination is key to driving change in the behaviour of serial perpetrators of domestic abuse - those who commit the most harm.
- MATAC Coordinator and Intelligence Management Officer in post since November 2019, developing safeguarding and preventative work, building on the existing MATAC structure.
- The MATAC team are using RFGV (Recency, Frequency, Gravity, Victims) each month to identify North Yorkshire's repeat, prolific offenders and adopting them into the scheme to deter, prevent, obstruct and reduce offending.
- MATAC adopts a "Green" and "Red" route for perpetrators of DA. Green is the aim, ensuring offenders engage with statutory/non-statutory agencies to address their offending. Red implies there is resistance to engage and therefore NYP enforce resources to obstruct and deter offending using internal processes.
- The MATAC team have also developed stalking profiles to structure chronology of DA Stalkers to ascertain MO, risk and to assist in securing Stalking convictions.



Recent Figures

- Since the start of MATAC, the team have adopted 125 nominals.
- 24 are currently active across all of North Yorkshire. These are discussed each month on a multi-agency platform, with actions set for Police or agencies to target the offending.
- 101 have been archived from the scheme.
- Of the 101 archived – 70% had a lower or no change in score from adoption to archiving.
- 89 of these nominals were identified through our RFGV process. 36 were identified through referrals from agencies or Police and professional judgement.
- 40% had no DA incidents in 6 months following their adoption, reducing victim harm.



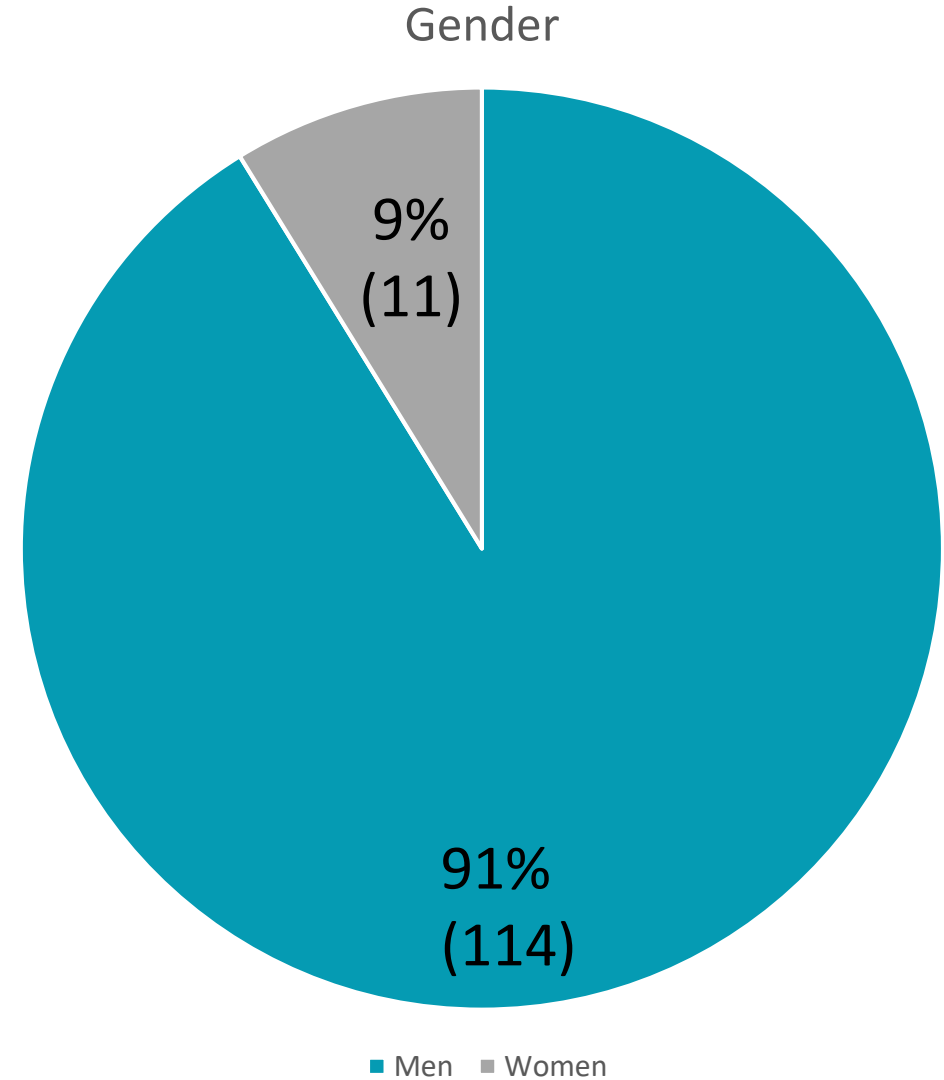
Recent Figures (Cont)

- 63% of nominals had a lower score on their archive from MATAC than did when they were adopted.
- 109 nominals have been known to MATAC for 3 months or more. 64% had a lower score 3 months after adoption.
- 83 nominals have known to MATAC for 6 months or more – 73% had a lower score 6 months after adoption.
- 67 nominals have been known to MATAC for 9 months or more – 80% had a lower score 9 months after adoption.
- 52 nominals have been known to MATAC for 12 months or more – 86% had a lower score 12 months after adoption.
- 40% of nominals had no new incidents 6 months post adoption date.



Demographics

Age Bracket	Number of nominals adopted
0-17	4
18-25	27
26-35	49
36-45	28
46-55	15
56+	2



Demographics (Breakdown of Women Nominals)

MATAC ensure that the relevant and more suited agency is working with the nominals. Therefore, MATAC will utilise and engage with agencies to make referrals tailored to the needs of the nominal.

Of the women MATAC have adopted since launch,

- 1 is currently working with Women's Wellness Centre (WWC)
- 2 were referred to the WWC.

Of the 9 archived;

- 4 were engaging with the Green route, engaging with other services or had no recent offending.
- 5 were deemed to be better suited to being managed by other services that they were already engaging with.
- 3 of these women have reduced scores, evidencing a reduction in offending.
- 2 have increased scores which implies further enforcement may be necessary and so are being monitored.

MATAC FEMALE NOMINALS	
AGE GROUP	NUMBER ADOPTED
16 - 20	3
21 - 25	1
26 - 30	2
31 - 35	0
36 - 40	2
41 - 45	2
46 - 50	1
51 - 55	1
56 +	0



Strengths

- The MATAC team have completed 30+ referrals for support for serial DA perpetrators in the last year. These include referrals to help with substance misuse, DA perpetrator programmes, Mental Health and housing.
- The MATAC team have supported MARAC by attending the meetings to provide updates on DA offenders and taking actions as directed from the Chair.
- The team have also assisted the compilation of Clare's Law disclosures which is an area of business which has increased in demand throughout Covid-19. MATAC has also led to a number of DVDS Claire's Law disclosures being instigated and delivered.



Strengths

- When MATAC first launched, the team created an ISA with HMP Hull – where majority of our offenders are sent to serve prison sentences. These ISAs have resulted in HMP sharing details of all North Yorkshire Offenders currently in HMP Hull. Intelligence relating to protective orders from both Criminal and Family Courts are shared with the prison and victim contact details are globally locked down. This lockdown bars any inmate phoning or writing to the victim, resulting in the victim being protected from any contact. Where contact was made, intelligence was shared with staff at HMP Hull, leading to searches for illicit mobile phones and further sanctions for offenders by way of adjudications.
- Since launch, the team have widened their ISA and developed links with HMP Humber, HMP Wealstun, HMP Hatfield, HMP Lindholme, HMP Moorlands, HMP Leeds and HMP Doncaster (Private prison).
- Our MATAC Coordinator has shared the MATAC model with West Yorkshire Police and South Yorkshire Police who are keen to adopt similar procedures. SYP have stated that their Prison Liaison Officers located in SY Prisons deal mostly with DV incidents generated by prisoners while in prison. They say adopting this model will significantly reduce their workload in this area so they can concentrate on other criminality matters in prisons.
- The MATAC Coordinator has also been contacted by the MET Police and have discussed at length the MATAC process in order that they could adopt similar.



Challenges

- Ordinarily, the MATAC team would deliver and serve MATAC letters to those who are adopted. Covid-19 impacted this process due to the prohibitions put in place by Government to WFH. This impacted the aim to deliver the letters within desired and efficient timescales.
- However, the MATAC team sought an opportunity to remotely train Custody staff across all suites in North Yorkshire and City of York in Dec 2020 on how to serve the letters and the resources needed to provide those who are remanded into Custody who are of interest to MATAC. The training was well received and we have had 4 successful cases so far of letters being served in this instance. This has proven to be an excellent opportunity to serve the letters in a timely manner, whilst also at the safest opportunity, ensuring safeguarding of the victim.



Aims and Results

- As we move on, we would like to evidence the financial gain of the wider force through implementation of MATAC (e.g. reduction in PC attendance at DA incidents, how much has the force saved?)
- Obtain statistics and analyse the differences in repeat offending within both heterosexual and same sex relationships to look at rates across North Yorkshire.
- Further reduction in repeat DA offending by continuing to adopt the prolific offenders across North Yorkshire and City of York.
- Continue to engage with statutory/non-statutory agencies to improve the information sharing process within MATAC to ensure our targets can continue to be managed effectively.



Case Study

- Whilst many of our nominals can be particularly evasive of Police involvement; one of our nominals received our input well. This nominal was adopted due to the high score of the RFGV which resulted in the serving of the letter. This person had over 20 years of offending. This nominal then phoned the MATAC Coordinator directly on numerous occasions, thankful for the support MATAC had offered. He subsequently took up the offer of support and was referred to a Domestic Abuse Perpetrator scheme. He has successfully engaged and was later archived late Dec 2020. There has been no further DV related incidents since he was archived.

