



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE



### DVR and Tusla Collaborate on Ground-Breaking Research

DVR are collaborating with Tusla's Domestic & Sexual Violence services team to conduct a Needs Analysis Project (NAP) to assess the level of services needed and the priorities for Galway City and County.

This is an extremely important development as it will provide an overview of current services, current statistics, evidence in the gaps in service provision as well as specific needs of various groups of people such as Travellers, migrants and LGBT communities and importantly to try and identify what can be done to increase accessibility to those who need DV supports but who currently do not access help.

Fiona Neary, a leading expert and independent consultant in the area of domestic and sexual violence, has been commissioned to undertake this far-reaching research and the research will be overseen by an impressive advisory group to the project.

This advisory group is made up of members from

Tusla  
Domestic Violence Response  
Cope Galway/Waterside House  
Loughrea Family Resource Centre  
An Gardaí Siochana  
IFA  
Galway Rural Development  
Galway Traveller Movement  
Galway Court Office

The advisory group has already identified key themes on which the work should focus:

- Public awareness
- Advocacy and Accompaniment
- Legal System
- Accessibility to the law
- Accommodation
- Interagency work (including referrals and training)
- Parenting
- Preventative Work and Early Intervention
- Mental Health
- Substance Misuse

Fiona has compiled a questionnaire, which is available here

[Tackling Domestic Violence in Galway](#)

If you would like to be involved in the NAP please contact us.

The NAP initiative aims to have its work completed in November 2017 and its findings will influence Tusla provision and resources in the area of Domestic and Sexual Violence services for Galway from 2018 onwards. DVR welcomes this initiative and plans to play a full role in helping to bring it to fruition.

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