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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI434914737

Thank you for your request for information relating to gender-specialist services for girls and young women.

You have requested the following information:

1. Does your local authority fund any specific programmes or gender-specialist services for girls and young women (aged 14 to 24)? This refers to all statutory and non-statutory services (Y/N).

a. If yes to Q1, please include details (name of service and short description) of the services funded.

b. If yes to Q1, do you provide any specialist support for girls and young women who are Black and minoritised? (Name of service and short description of the support that they provide)

For Questions 1 to 1b, Coventry Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre (CRASAC) is a service commissioned by Coventry City Council to provide specialist support to victims of sexual assault and abuse from age 5 upwards. It's a female led organisation predominantly geared towards the needs of women and girls, although services are available for men who have been victims of this type of crime.

Coventry Haven Womens Aid are commissioned by Coventry City Council to deliver Domestic Abuse services. They only provide services for women and girls aged 16+. It is a female led

organisation.

Panahghar are commissioned by Coventry City Council to deliver Domestic Abuse services. They provide services for women from ethnic minorities. It is a female led organisation. There is a separate part of the service for men experiencing domestic abuse.

Coventry City Council commission the Family Health and Lifestyles Service delivered by South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust. The MAMTA part of the service is delivered by Foleshill Women Training. It is a female led organisation. MAMTA is a Child and Maternal Health Programme empowering & supporting BAME women in pregnancy & after baby is born. MAMTA offers support to all ethnic minority pregnant women in Coventry by delivering key health messages and offering parent craft sessions.

2. Does your Local Safeguarding Children Partnership include representation from any organisations providing gender-specialist services for girls and young women? (Y/N)

a. If yes to Q2, please include details of the gender-specialist services involved in this partnership. (Name and address of service)

For Questions 2 and 2a, the information you have requested falls under the Coventry Safeguarding Childrens Partnership (CSCP) which is a statutory partnership in its own right set up under the Children Act 2004 and is not a public authority for the purposes of the FOI. It is therefore exempt from the duty to provide information under the FOI.

Section 3 of the FOI provides that:

- (2) For the purposes of this Act, information is held by a public authority if—
- (a) it is held by the authority, otherwise than on behalf of another person, or
 - (b) it is held by another person on behalf of the authority.

Where a SCSP partner which is deemed to be a public authority under the FOI holds information for its own purposes, then it does so otherwise than on behalf of another person and the information held will be subject to the FOI. However, partners in possession of CSP minutes, documents, reports etc. are holding this information on behalf of 'another person' (the CSP) and it is therefore not liable to disclosure under a FOI request.

To assist you further, published information about the board members is accessible via the following webpage:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/cscp>

3. Does the Integrated Care System in your local authority have a plan for supporting Children and Young People's Mental Health? (Y/N)

No, however to assist, please use the following link for the latest LTP plan:

<https://coventrywarwickshireccg.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Coventry-Warwickshire-LTP-Refresh-2021-2022-1.pdf>

This document has no reference to the terminology 'girls' or 'young woman' as all our services are

inclusive.

a. If yes to Q3, please include a link to the plan here, or attach the document in your reply.

b. If yes to Q3, does your Integrated Care System's plan for Children and Young People's Mental Health include specific references to 'girls' and/or 'young women'? Please include detail if answered Yes. (Y/N)

c. If yes to Q3b, does your Integrated Care System's plan for Children and Young People's Mental Health include commitments to specific provision for girls and young women, such as funding and commissioning of gender-specific services? (Y/N)

For Questions 3a to 3c, these are not applicable.

4. Does your local authority have a local strategy for Children and Young People? (Y/N)

Yes.

a. If yes to Q4, please include a link to the strategy here, or attach a document in your reply.

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Council website, please use the following link:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/childrenandyoungpeopleplan>

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

b. If yes to Q4, does your strategy for Children and Young People include specific reference to the needs of 'girls' and/or 'young women'? (Y/N).

No.

c. If yes to Q4, does your strategy for Children and Young People include commitments to specific provision or priorities for girls and young women, such as funding and commissioning of gender-specialist services? (Y/N)

No.

5. Do you have an up-to-date assessment of the needs of children and young people (aged 14-24) in your area and the services they want and need? (Y/N)

No.

a. If yes to Q5, please include the link here or attach the document to your reply.

b. If yes to Q5, does your local authority's assessment include specific reference to the needs of 'girls' and/or 'young women'? (Y/N)

c. If yes to Q5, does your local authority needs' assessment include specific reference to the needs of Black and minoritised 'girls' and/or 'young women'? (Y/N)

For Questions 5a to 5c, these are not applicable.

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Yours faithfully

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