

PROGRAMME



CONFERENCE

A background image showing several hands of different skin tones, some reaching out or supporting each other, symbolizing support and care.

DOMESTIC ABUSE AND THE FAMILY COURT ARE WE NEARLY THERE YET?

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8.30am - 5.00pm

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HUMBER LFJB CONFERENCE FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER 2022

8.30 - 9.00 ARRIVAL AND MORNING COFFEE

9.00 GAVIN BUTTON
WILBERFORCE BARRISTERS
Conference MC

9.05 - 9.15 HHJ WHYBROW
DESIGNATED FAMILY JUDGE FOR HUMBERSIDE AND NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE
Introduction to the day

9.15 - 9.45 THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE POOLE
FAMILY DIVISION LIAISON JUDGE FOR THE NORTH EAST
Domestic Abuse issues arising from the High Court Bench

9.45 - 10.30 ANDREA CAMPOS-VIGOUROUX
SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR TO THE DOMESTIC ABUSE COMMISSIONER
(FAMILY COURT LEAD)
Policy development for the DA Commissioner and the Family Court

10.30 - 10.40 DI. KAREN ROGERS & DI WENDY LUSBY
HUMBERSIDE POLICE
Police Specialist Domestic Abuse Unit

10.40 - 10.50 VICKI PADDISON
PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF LOCAL DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES
An overview of local support services across our four local authorities

10.50 - 11.20 MORNING BREAK

11.20 - 12.20 HHJ CHRISTOPHER COOPER
FAMILY CIRCUIT JUDGE AT HULL AND GRIMSBY
The evolving law and procedures involved in private and public law cases where domestic abuse is a factor

12.20 - 12.30 VIDEO FROM FJYPB
NATIONAL CHARTER ON DOMESTIC ABUSE

12.30 - 13.00 SARAH PARSONS
NATIONAL CAFCASS LEAD ON DOMESTIC ABUSE

13.00 - 14.00 LUNCH BREAK

14.00 - 15.15 CLAIRE MOORE
CERTAIN CURTAIN THEATRE COMPANY
Presents "Mockingbird High"

15.15 - 15.45 AFTERNOON BREAK

15.45 - 16.15 LUKE HART
AUTHOR & CO-FOUNDER OF CoCo AWARENESS
A talk about real life experience of childhood domestic abuse

16.15 - 17.00 PLENARY SESSION

17.00 CLOSING
CLOSING CONFERENCE



MR JUSTICE POOLE

FAMILY DIVISION LIAISON JUDGE FOR THE NORTH EAST

Mr Justice Poole was born and brought up in Shipley, West Yorkshire but crossed the Pennines to enjoy a 30 year career at the Bar in Manchester specialising in clinical negligence. He was head of Kings Chambers before his appointment to the bench.

Having sat as a Recorder in civil and private family law from 2011 and as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Family Division from 2017, he was appointed as a full time High Court Judge in the Family Division in 2020. In 2021 he was appointed as Family Division Liaison Judge for the North East Circuit.



HHJ CHRIS COOPER

FAMILY JUDGE

Appointed as a District Judge on the Midlands Circuit in 2008 and as a Circuit Judge on the North Eastern Circuit in 2020.

Chris holds family tickets in public law, private law and family money (recently appointed as the Lead Judge for the Humber and South Yorkshire zone of the Financial Remedies Court).



JONATHAN WHYBROW

CIRCUIT JUDGE AND DESIGNATED FAMILY JUDGE FOR HUMBERSIDE AND NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE

Jonathan Whybrow has been the Designated Family Judge for this area since November 2019. He has sat as a judge in Hull, Grimsby and Scunthorpe on and off since 2008 and for most of the time since 2013.

Before becoming a Judge, Jonathan worked as a Children Panel Solicitor for over 20 years in South and East Yorkshire. Before that he worked first as an unqualified Social Worker and then qualified as a School Teacher. Jonathan then worked for four years as a civil servant, being a junior member of the team on the reviews of children law which led to the Children Act 1989.



GAVIN BUTTON

WILBERFORCE BARRISTERS

Gavin is the Head of Chambers at Wilberforce Barristers and will be our MC for the conference today. A former Solicitor-Advocate with almost 30 years of court experience specialising in family law, particularly regarding children. Gavin has a wealth of experience in complex cases involving non-accidental injuries, sexual abuse and international child abduction.

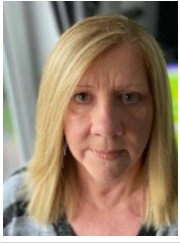


ANDREA CAMPOS-VIGOUROUX

SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR TO THE DOMESTIC ABUSE COMMISSIONER (FAMILY COURT LEAD)

Andrea Campos-Vigouroux is a Senior Policy Advisor to the Domestic Abuse Commissioner for England and Wales, who specialises in justice policy. Andrea is part of the core team working on the implementation of the Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism for the Family Court. Prior to joining the Commissioner's Office, Andrea worked as a Legal Researcher at the Bar following successful completion of the Bar Professional Training Course.

Andrea has extensive experience of working in Westminster, having worked as a public affairs advisor to a range of private sector and third sector organisations, with a particular focus on justice, equality and human rights issues, as well as working on several political campaigns.



DI KAREN ROGERS

HUMBERSIDE POLICE

I have 24 years experience as a police officer in Humberside and have spent a considerable part of my career working in different roles within the specialist area of PVP.

Over a number of years I was an operational detective at various ranks, investigating cases of child and adult abuse, as well as working strategically in the Force Policy Unit.

Throughout this time I was involved in developing new systems and worked collaboratively with the Home Office and other forces on the introduction of the Police National Database (PND). I was also the Humberside Force tactical lead for Family Liaison and Achieving Best Evidence (ABE), representing Humberside Police at a National level.

More recently I have been involved in innovative projects and was the first Rape and Serious Sexual Offences (RASSO) gatekeeper in Humberside, working with other regional forces and the specialist CPS RASSO office in Leeds.

My current role is within the Domestic Abuse Safeguarding Team in Hull and East Riding in advance of the planned specialist Domestic Abuse Investigation Team, which I am looking forward to as I believe we can make a positive difference to victims.



DI WENDY LUSBY

HUMBERSIDE POLICE

I have worked within Humberside Police for 16 years covering a range of roles within front line policing, Neighbourhood Teams and the control room. I began my investigative journey 5 years ago, securing promotion to Detective Inspector, working within the Prisoner Processing Team and CID in both N Lincs and NE Lincs.

The Domestic Abuse Safeguarding Team was formed in February 2022 and is where I have specialised in working with Domestic Abuse victims and Perpetrators, collaborating closely with partner agencies to strengthen our resources to reduce risk of harm to victims and address the perpetrators offending.

I am passionate about getting things right and keeping people safe.



VICKI PADDISON

ON BEHALF OF LOCAL DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES - HULL

I initially worked in the NHS before gaining a Social Work Degree in 1996. Whilst training I spent 6 months in the local Women's Aid refuge and my interest in domestic abuse was sparked! I remained actively involved with Womens Aid until I had my first child in 2000.

In 2003 I was seconded to the post of Domestic Abuse Lead with Hull City Council, a role I continue to have great pleasure in undertaking. I work alongside some inspirational, passionate and committed colleagues and families directly impacted by domestic abuse. In 2004 I co-produced and developed a dedicated domestic abuse service and oversee the IDVA service and MARAC and in 2009 a voluntary perpetrator programme.

I feel privileged to undertake this work and remain passionate and committed to pushing and growing the conversation around domestic abuse.

Along with this I enjoy being active and spending time with my family.



SARAH PARSONS

NATIONAL CAFCASS LEAD ON DOMESTIC ABUSE

Sarah Parsons has worked throughout her professional life in the Family Courts in England and has worked for Cafcass since its inception in 2001. She led Cafcass services in East Anglia and the London Private Law service until 2019. She is currently the Principal Social Worker and leads Cafcass National Improvement Service, which includes audit and learning and development functions.

Sarah played a key role in leading the development of the Child Impact Assessment Framework which includes the Domestic Abuse Practice Pathway and Guidance.



LUKE HART

AUTHOR & CO-FOUNDER OF CoCo AWARENESS

Luke Hart, and his brother Ryan Hart, share their family's story of coercive control and domestic homicide. In 2017 they released their book, *Remembered Forever*, and set up their organization, CoCoAwareness, to increase the awareness of coercive control. So far, their work has taken them to over 13 countries and they have trained tens of thousands of professionals in identifying, understanding, and ending domestic abuse.



They are White Ribbon Ambassadors and Refuge Champions speaking out against male violence towards women and children. They have also worked with the charity Level Up to produce and advocate for the acceptance of domestic homicide reporting guidelines and have received a number of awards for their work in raising awareness – including the Lincolnshire Police Outstanding Contribution to Public Service 2018/2019, BBC Inspirations 2020 award and the Big Issue's Top 100 Changemakers of 2020.



CERTAIN CURTAIN THEATRE

PROFESSIONAL TOURING THEATRE COMPANY

Claire Moore is co-founder of Certain Curtain Theatre company. Established in 1989 this professional touring theatre company has been at the forefront of using theatre to raise awareness of domestic abuse and its impact on women and children.



Passionate about using theatre to create change the company has toured across the UK and internationally performing to hundreds of thousands of audiences. They have developed their award-winning work into unique training packages for professionals to increase understanding and improve work practice.

Claire is actively involved in domestic abuse campaigns and organises the 'Dead Women Walking' march each year to remember the women killed in the UK by known men.

She will share a filmed version of their original play 'MOCKINGBIRD HIGH' - a compelling and lyrical account of the devastating impact of domestic abuse on two teenage children and their mother. This is accompanied by an informal discussion to further explore the issues, their relevance to your work practice and how survivors and their children can be better supported.

DOMESTIC ABUSE AND THE FAMILY COURT

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The Humber Local Family Justice Board would like to thank the following organisations for supporting this conference:



Our thanks also to our many friends and colleagues in attendance today for their continued support of the Humber Local Family Justice Board. Delegates are reminded that their attendance has earned them CPD 5 hours.

SAVE THE DATE !

Next year's Humber LFJB Conference date.

Friday 6th October 2023

Hope to see you there.

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