

## Appendix 2: Legislation and Policies that underpin Sefton's Strategic Responses to Domestic and Sexual Violence

- The Human Rights Act
- Gender Duty (2007)
- Sexual Offences Act (2003)
- Tackling Sexual Violence: Guidance for Local Partnerships (2006)
- A Coordinated Prostitution Strategy and a summary of responses to Paying the Price (2006)
- Female Genital Mutilation Act (2003)
- National Policy Guidelines for Professionals on Forced Marriage (various dates)
- Government Policy on Domestic Violence (HO)
- UK Action Plan on Tackling Human Trafficking (2007)
- National Report on Domestic Violence (Home Office, 2005)
- National Domestic Violence Reduction Delivery Plan (Home Office 2005)
- Responding to Domestic Abuse: A Handbook for Health Professionals (2006)
- Domestic Violence Best Value Performance Indicator (225)
- Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act (2004)
- Safety and Justice (2003)
- National Policing Plan
- PSA Delivery Agreement 23, Priority action 1
- Specialist Domestic Violence Court Programme, including the development of MARAC's (Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences)
- Electronic Patient Records (EPR) system
- Into the Mainstream: Women and Mental Health (2001)
- NIHME Domestic Violence Guidelines for Mental Health Professionals (forthcoming 2006)
- No Secrets: Tackling the abuse of vulnerable adults
- Hidden Harm
- National alcohol and drug strategies
- Homelessness Act 2002 and local Housing Strategy
- Supporting People National Strategy (2007)
- National Service Framework for Children, Young People and Maternity Services – Core Standards (2004) - and the introduction of routine enquiry by 2008
- The Children and Adoption Act 2002
- The Children Act, 2004
- Every Child Matters
- CAF - The introduction of Common Assessment Framework requiring integrated assessment and early multi-agency intervention
- Working Together to Safeguard Children (DH, 1999)
- Change for Children 2004
- HMICA Thematic Review of Court Responses to Domestic Violence
- CAF/CASS Policy Framework for Domestic Violence
- Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships Home Office Circular 53/2004
- Primary Care Trust: Guidance on Commencement of Responsible Authority Status within Partnerships Crime Reduction and Community Safety Group (30<sup>th</sup> April, 2004)
- National Service Standards for Domestic and Sexual Violence (2007)

