## **Essex MARAC Case study**

Date of MARAC Meeting	20 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Athena Reference	EXTERNAL REFERRAL
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Victims Details	John Digby DOB = 25 Oct Gender = Ma Self Defined Not Recorded Age = 48	le Ethnicity =	Suspects Details	Adam Digby DOB = 03 October 2000 Gender =Male Self Defined Ethnicity = Not Recorded Age = 18	
PREGNANT?	N/A		PREGNANT?	N/A	
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Children's Details			Addresses	Address for Both 7 Flanders Rise Basildon Essex	
Contact Details			Occupations		
Polotionship	Son				
Relationship To Victim	3011				
Other Relationships					
Date Of Incident(s)	30 Aug 2017 Not Recorded				
Location of Incident(s)	7 Flanders Rise				
Details Of Incident(s)	Victim has given consent, been told about MARAC. Will talk to professionals/social services/ friends, family Afraid of his son.  REFERRER RATIONALE Background of case: While in hospital for a routine appointment John has disclosed to a nurse that he has been living in his shed to keep away from his 18 year old son. His 18 year old son is being verbally and physically abusive and also taking money from John to fund his drug habit. John has said he is frightened of his son. John has disclosed that his son is on probation as his son had grabbed a key worker round the throat. The case went to court and Adam received				

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community service.  At this present moment in time John doesn't want to get the police involved to evict his son or to apply for a NON-MOLESTATION ORDER/flagging of address and mobile. John is so frightened he is living in his shed.	
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Repeat Case at MARAC in	Yes/ No	Athena record:	Victim Informed of	Yes / No
last 12 Months / last date	date		MARAC:	

## Victim contact? List any protective factors in place

POLICE:

**DISPOSAL UPDATE:** External Referral – No current Police Investigation

**RESTRAINING ORDERS/NON MOLS IN PLACE FOR VICTIM:** No

RESTRAINING ORDER/NON MOLS IN PLACE IN FAVOUR OF OTHERS: No

HISTORY: From April 2015 for DA information and Intel

**TOGETHER** 

**DA HISTORY:** There have been 8 incidents between this father and son

X3 Standard and X3 Medium risk and 2 un risked – These have involved damage to property,

demanding money, threatening messages/harassment

Social Care Involved?	Mr Digby was in care for a period time.
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## **DASH Risk Assessment**

1. Has the current incident resulted in injury? (please state what and whether this is the first injury) No 2. Are you very frightened? Yes Comment Afraid of my Sons unpredictable behaviour 3. Are you afraid of further injury or violence? If so, please give an indication of what the abuser might do and to whom. (E.g. Kill themselves or injure the children). Yes **Details** I am frightened of further violence, it is almost daily 4. Do you feel isolated from family/ friends i.e. does (name of abuser(s).....) try to stop you from seeing friends/family/Dr or others? Yes Details I feel completely isolated my mother is elderly and my sisters live abroad I cannot go out much because I give money to my Son to prevent reactions 5. Are you feeling depressed or having suicidal thoughts? **DASH Risk** Yes **Assessment Details** I feel down and depressed I have not been looking after myself and have been having suicidal thoughts as I can see no way out 6. Have you separated or tried to separate from the abuser within the past year? Yes **Details** I have been living in my shed to try to avoid my Son 7. Is there conflict over child contact? (please state what) No 8. Does the abuser constantly text, call, contact, follow, stalk or harass you? (Please expand to identify what and whether you believe that this is done deliberately to intimidate you? Consider the context and behaviour of what is being done. Ask 11 additional stalking questions) Yes Details I receive up to 100 text messages and phone calls daily from my Son 9. Are you currently pregnant or have you recently had a baby (in the past 18 months)?

No

10. Are there any children, step-children that aren't (....) in the household? Or are there other dependants in the household (i.e. older relative)? Yes

**Details** 

I have a 29 year old daughter with Mental health issues and she does not live with me.

- 11. Has (.....) ever hurt the children/dependants?
- 12. Has (.....) ever threatened to hurt or kill the children/dependants?
- 13. Is the abuse happening more often?

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**Details** 

Yes, it is now happening daily.

14. Is the abuse getting worse?

Yes

15. Does (......) try to control everything you do and/or are they excessively jealous? (In terms of relationships, who you see, being 'policed at home', telling you what to wear for example. Consider honour-based violence and stalking and specify the behaviour)

Yes

**Details** 

He smashes up my property demands money and makes living at home unbearable

- 16. Has (.....) ever used weapons or objects to hurt you? No
- 17. Has (.....) ever threatened to kill you or someone else and you believed them?

Yes

**Details** 

Yes, he has threatened to kill me, and I believe him. He has also threatened professionals and grabbed one of them around the throat for which he was convicted of GBH

- 18. Has (.....) ever attempted to strangle/choke/suffocate/drown you? No
- 19. Does (....) do or say things of a sexual nature that makes you feel bad or that physically hurt you or someone else? (Please specify who and what) No
- 20. Is there any other person that has threatened you or that you are afraid of? (If yes, consider extended family if honour-based violence. Please specify

who)

Consider asking Honour based Violence and Forced Marriage questions if yes and concerns raised (see end of document)

No

21. Do you know if (.....) has hurt anyone else ? (children/siblings/elderly relative/stranger, for example. Consider HBV. Please specify who and what) Yes

**Details** 

Strangled and threatened professionals

- 22. Has (.....) ever mistreated an animal or the family pet?
- 23. Are there any financial issues? For example, are you dependent on (.....) for money/have they recently lost their job/other financial issues? Yes

**Details** 

I am in trouble financially due to my sons demands

24. Has (.....) had problems in the past year with drugs (prescription or other), alcohol or mental health leading to problems in leading a normal life? (Please specify what)

Yes

Details

My Son has issues with Drugs, Alcohol and I believe he has mental health issues

25. Has (.....) ever threatened or attempted suicide?

Yes

**Details** 

He threatens suicide when I won't give him money

- 26. Has (.....) ever breached bail/an injunction and/or any agreement for when they can see you and/or the children? (Please specify what)
  No
- 27. Do you know if (......) has ever been in trouble with the police or has a criminal history? (If yes, please specify)

Yes

**Details** 

GBH on a practitioner, I have made previous calls to police in relation to threats from my son.

Is there anything else you would like to add to this?

I would like emotional support for myself and help for my son. I would like my son to go to prison as he might get the help that he needs.