

## North Yorkshire and York MARAC Update – New Weekly Meeting Pilot August 2021

### MARAC needs to change

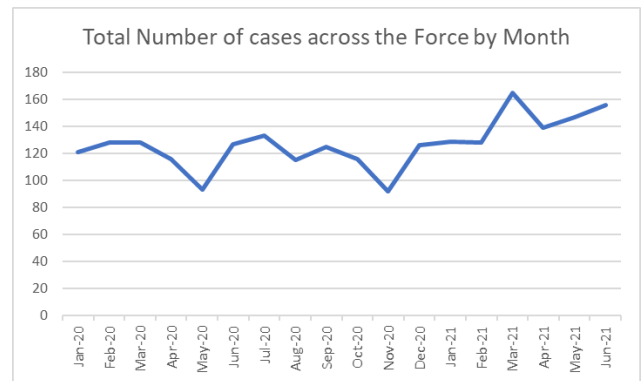
The number of cases heard at MARAC across North Yorkshire and York is increasing significantly. In 2020, there were 1420 cases discussed at MARAC across the Force area, which is a 37% increase in comparison to 2019.

The total number of cases discussed at MARAC has actually *doubled* over the most recent five years.

The impact of this rise on North Yorkshire Police and our partner agencies feels difficult to manage with MARAC in its current format.

Additional meetings in all areas (apart from York) are needing to be arranged at short notice to accommodate the increasing numbers of referrals. This is impacting on agency attendance and engagement.

The number of cases discussed at MARAC is continuing to rise in 2021:



### Introduction of a new Weekly MARAC Pilot across North Yorkshire starting on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021

In order to meet this growing demand, and to manage the risk to vulnerable victims of domestic abuse, the DA JCG and the new MARAC Steering Group have agreed to a four month pilot, whereby MARACs in each area will be held on a weekly basis instead of fortnightly / monthly.

### Benefits of a Weekly MARAC

- Provide a dynamic response to domestic abuse and manage risks in a timely way.
- Reducing the length of the meeting will ensure that all cases are afforded the same level of focus and attention.
- Increased agency attendance and engagement by agencies providing resources to MARAC for short meetings rather than entire days.

### Dates and Times for new Weekly MARACs

Day	Time	MARAC
Monday	10am	Hambleton and Richmond
	1pm	York
Tuesday	10am	Scarborough
Wednesday	10am	Harrogate and Craven
Thursday	1pm	York
Friday	10am	Selby

### Additional Information:

- The case lists for North Yorkshire will continue to be sent out a week in advance so agencies can review their information and submit reports prior to the MARAC taking place.
- The pilot will run from 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 until the end of January 2022 and will be reviewed by the MARAC Steering Group to make any necessary changes and to determine whether it will continue. Please send any constructive feedback or concerns regarding this pilot to Jemma or Luke (details below) and these will be taken to the JCG and Steering Group.
- There are no planned changes to the York MARAC at this time. This will continue twice a week on a Monday and Thursday.
- For any further information please contact Safeguarding Manager, Jemma Cormack [jemma.cormack@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:jemma.cormack@northyorkshire.police.uk) or MARAC Coordinator, Luke Webster [luke.webster@northyorkshire.police.uk](mailto:luke.webster@northyorkshire.police.uk)