
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Domestic Abuse Support (Local Authority Strategies and Annual Reports) Regulations 2021

PART 3

Section 59 Reports

Form of a section 59 report

7. A section 59 report must be in the form specified by the Secretary of State from time to time by notice to the relevant local authority.

Content of a section 59 report

8. A section 59 report must include the following content—
- (a) confirmation that the relevant local authority has appointed a domestic abuse local partnership board⁽¹⁾;
 - (b) information in respect of the membership of the board and how often it convenes;
 - (c) evidence that the relevant local authority has undertaken an appropriate assessment of the need for accommodation-based support by, in particular—
 - (i) setting out when the assessment was carried out;
 - (ii) setting out the methodology employed in conducting that assessment; and
 - (iii) providing details of the result of that assessment;
 - (d) evidence that the section 57 strategy—
 - (i) is in place and operating effectively;
 - (ii) was published in accordance with Part 2 of these Regulations; and
 - (iii) supports victims of domestic abuse to access services within the relevant local authority's area;
 - (e) evidence that the relevant local authority's commissioning decisions have been informed by—
 - (i) the assessment of need referred to in sub-paragraph (c); and
 - (ii) the section 57 strategy;
 - (f) evidence relating to the disbursement of funding set against the delivery objectives set out in the section 57 strategy.

⁽¹⁾ Within the meaning of section 58 of the Act.