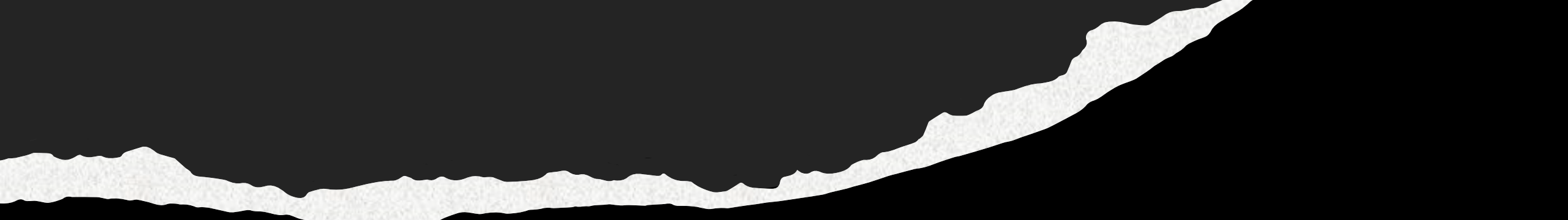


No Recourse to Public Funds

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- People with no recourse to public funds are some of the most vulnerable in our communities.

Add Domestic Abuse into this mix then you have people who must make a choice between being subject to violence or becoming destitute.

The importance
of by & for
services in the
delivery of
support to people
Impacted by
NRPF

In Greater Manchester we recently teamed up with five of our by & for services to transform services to people impacted by NRPF.

- NESTAC
- Olive Pathway
- Safety4Sisters
- Saheli
- Rochdale Women's Welfare

The Lotus Hub Project

- Submitted the project for support from the Home Office's by & for funding.
- We were successful in gaining support from the Home Office.
- We have £680,000 over two years to deliver services to those impacted by NRPF and GBV.
- The Lotus Hub began delivery in September 2023.
- The Lotus Hub is already protecting, supporting and giving a voice to those impacted by NRPF.

The Lotus
Hub
What Does
it do?

- Provides emergency accommodation.
- Strives to regularise immigration status
- Provides emergency support packages
- Delivers counselling and support.
- Delivers Health advice and support.
- Deliver security and safety

Case Study

- Mrs Shah is from Pakistan on a Spousal Visa with NRPF – she has a 7-month-old baby
- Mrs Shah has reported DA from her husband and family to the Police who placed her at risk of HBAV
- The Police remove Mrs Shah from the perpetrator's property and drop her at her cousin's house.
- Mrs Shah cousin contacts RWWA requesting support – advised to access local DA service in Kirklees
- The cousin brings Mrs Shah back to Rochdale to stay with her auntie who arranged the marriage
- Homelessness place Mrs Shah into a family unit on the agreement CSC will apply for the DDVC

Case Study

- After the weekend Mrs Shah is informed by homelessness, she has to leave the family unit
- CSC advised Mrs Shah to leave her child with the perpetrator and for her to return to Pakistan
- We challenged this as the perpetrators were unhappy that Mrs Shah had given to a birth to a female
- Mrs Shah was then moved to a B&B with her child
- Mrs Shah's solicitor obtained the DDVC, Non-Molestation Order and Prohibited Steps Order
- Mrs Shah was then moved to refuge out of borough



We need to be led by the experts in this arena:

Safety4Sisters

Southall Black Sisters

The Angelou Project

And the hundreds of other tiny community organisations who are struggling to keep these people safe.

By & for services are experts by experience in this field – their advice, support and expertise has been critical to the successful delivery of the Lotus Hub.