



Early Intervention and Prevention Service

West Mercia Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre (WMRSASC)

Who we are

Purple Leaf is the Early Intervention and Prevention Service at West Mercia Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre (WMRSASC). Purple Leaf provide advice, risk and needs assessments, and therapeutic interventions for children and young people (aged five to eighteen) and their families who have been impacted by sexual abuse and/or exhibited inappropriate, problematic, or harmful sexual behaviours. This includes specialist AIM assessments and sibling sexual behaviours assessments.

Our Purple Leaf team

We are a small team of specialist practitioners from a range of backgrounds and expertise working in Social Work, Play Therapy, Criminal Justice, and Youth Work. Our ethos as practitioners is that every child should have the chance to thrive and feel empowered. We believe in enabling positive change. Our service framework is based on a holistic and child-centered approach, trauma-informed, using restorative approaches.

We believe...

- Every child has a right to be treated with respect.
- Every child is different and unique.
- Children and young people have the right to their own opinions. Our aim is to facilitate conversations through activities and discussions.
- Children and young people have their own innate abilities to survive. It is important to acknowledge and promote their individual strengths.
- Through empowering children and young people, they can then make informed decisions that feel right for them.

Advice, consultation and initial assessment process

For all children and young people who present with sexualised behaviour we currently provide advice, guidance and consultation at no cost. We also currently provide a pre-assessment process for any child or young person and family referred to the service, at no cost. This will determine the most suitable assessment (if required), intervention, support and/or signposting. We recognise that children and young people who present with sexualised behaviours have a range of needs. We create bespoke programmes and pathways which can be adapted to meet individual needs.

Assessment and intervention process

Stage	Activity	Cost
1	Referral, consent and forms completion	No cost
2	Initial/pre-assessment – online or in-person sessions with parent/carer, professionals, and educational settings	No cost
3	Purple Leaf will review and make a recommendation for a bespoke therapeutic intervention or signpost to relevant support services	No cost
4	Bespoke therapeutic intervention package	From £680
5	Specialist assessment (please note that for some referrals, we may recommend an extensive assessment called an AIM 3 or AIM under 12s Assessment. These assessments hold a cost to them. This will be determined during stage two/pre-assessment stage)	From £3,980

Therapeutic intervention pathways

	No. of sessions	Aims and outcomes of sessions	Cost per session
Pathway 1 Psychosocial and Therapeutic Intervention	8	This pathway is to support an increase in the young person's knowledge and awareness on themes to meet their individual needs.	£85
Pathway 2 Psychosocial and Therapeutic Intervention	12	This pathway is to support an increase in the young person's knowledge and expand understanding linked to individual needs and difficulties, working towards positive change.	£85
Pathway 3 Psychosocial and Therapeutic Intervention	16	This pathway is to support an increase in the young person's knowledge and expand understanding linked to individual needs and difficulties, working towards long-term positive change.	£85
Play Therapy	16 - 24	A specialist therapeutic intervention by a certified Play Therapist. Play and creative arts are used to support and enable an individual to process and express difficult emotions and experiences in a safe environment.	£120

Therapeutic Intervention (AIM Intervention)	24 - 30	A specialist HSB AIM intervention framework based on a holistic approach, including trauma-informed and restorative approaches, building on the young person's skills and resiliencies.	£120
Group Session	4 - 6	This pathway is to increase knowledge and empower children and young people on a variety of themes to meet the group needs.	£195

Examples of intervention work themes

Theme	Areas covered/addressed
All About Me	Identity, understanding the impact of gender stereotypes and misogyny
My Inner Self	Emotional literacy and coping strategies, recognising uncomfortable feelings
Relationships and Connections	Recognising an unhealthy relationship, creating positive and healthy sexuality, impact of pornography, pro social skills of making and maintaining relationships
My Rights and Responsibilities	My human rights and responsibilities, consent and body autonomy, ok and not ok behaviours, impact of sexual violence and abuse
My Sexualised Behaviours	Understanding my sexual behaviours, history and impact of sexualised behaviours, understanding triggers, thoughts and feelings, recognising/understanding needs that were being met, sexual arousal and regulation
Moving Forward	Goal setting, coping strategies, moving forward plan

Aim Assessments

Specialist assessment (AIM Under 12 or AIM 3) is completed to provide a structured framework to assist in the analysis of Harmful Sexual Behaviour in the overall context of the young person. The AIM assessment process considers five domains for the child or young person:

- Sexual behaviour.
- Non-sexual behaviour.
- The developmental influences on these wider ranging behaviours.
- The effect of the environment/social and family context in which they live.
- The young person's ability to self-regulate and understand the impact of their behaviour.

By engaging with the CYP, those around them, and the required multi-agency partners, we can:

- Conduct an AIM 3 and AIM Under 12s risk assessment of the child or young person involving sessions with child or young person, family and professionals.
- Identify safety planning therapeutic, supervision and support needs.
- Provide tailored intervention programmes for the child and those around them.

Other services available

Assessments - The Capacity & Ability to Supervise and Protect


Purple Leaf can provide an assessment of parents/carers' capacity and ability to supervise and protect a child at risk of sexual violence.

Training, Workshops & eLearning

As specialists in sexual violence support and prevention, we offer a wide range of training designed to empower professionals with the knowledge, skills, and sensitivity needed to make a meaningful impact.

Our courses are grounded in decades of frontline experience and shaped by the latest research and best practices. Whether you're supporting survivors, navigating legal frameworks, working in education, or addressing emerging challenges, we have a course tailored to your needs.

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