



## EDAN Lincs Newsletter – July/August 2021



**Summer holidays!** It's summer holiday time! Whether you are planning to have a break somewhere away, having a staycation or working this summer, we wish you a safe and happy summer!

### North Kesteven District Council Chairman Cllr Susannah Barker-Milan fundraising for EDAN Lincs

Susannah has chosen EDAN Lincs as a charity to support as she commenced her appointment as the chairman of NKDC & is taking her fundraising zeal to new heights · 21st October she will be flying with her husband and close friends on the fastest zip line in the World and longest in Europe - 1.5km in length and 100mph speed - the Velocity 2 at Penrhyn Slate Quarry located near Bethesda in North Wales. She said: "Obviously this is both terrifying and a challenge, but I saw the opportunity to raise some monies and I feel that EDAN Lincs is well worth it. Not sure I will be able to wear my Chains though!"



### Message from our Chief Executive

Here at EDAN Lincs we have a team of Specialist Workers working across all areas of the organisation, Outreach, IDVA and Refuge who have continued to support adults, children and families across Lincolnshire throughout the pandemic. With COVID restrictions, we like many other organisations have had to adapt our services to enable us to continue to meet the needs of those individuals and families that have been impacted by living with Domestic Abuse.

Throughout the last 18 months' referrals have continued to rise and demand for our services has been ever increasing. This has been a challenge at times, but we have responded to these challenges and our dedicated staff have continued to work tirelessly, and have been responsive to the changes we have had to make.

I wanted to take the opportunity to say a massive '**Thank you**' to all of our employees here at EDAN Lincs for going over and above during what has been the most challenging 18 months we have faced.

Thank you!  
Celia Madden, CEO





## Special Events



Have you been to Dunston village recently? During July and August Dunston has a special yarnbomb display and strawberry tea on Saturday 24th July to raise awareness of domestic abuse and fundraise for our charity EDAN Lincs and everyone invited! Check Facebook posts for more info!



## How can you help?

Have you visited Stokes Coffee Shop at the Lawns? Stokes have kindly accepted to host our contactless fundraising device where you can donate anything from £2 up to £30 and the money go directly to EDAN Lincs!



We are still running our Active challenge and the Bake a cake to celebrate EDAN Lincs' Birthday. For this or if you would like to set up your own fundraising campaign please contact [fundraising@edanlincs.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@edanlincs.org.uk)

## Thank you from EDAN

**We are grateful** to Tescos for the Community Grant of £1,000 received for the outdoor children play equipment. A special thank you to the Tesco Community Manager Keith who is always at hand to help! Thank you to Asda and Waitrose for various items donated to our refuges.



Our **Active challenge** encouraging people to get outside and do walks, runs, bike rides and trails has been very popular and we are still counting the total including a great contribution from the training unit of Lincolnshire Poice who raised over £1k already and it keeps going and Ringrose Solicitors who walked the distance from Parliament in London to Boston Lincolnshire to raise £130! Thank you!!

## View from one of our IDVA workers

Andy has been an Independent Domestic Violence Advisor at EDAN Lincs for over 7 years and is now providing help at Lincoln County Hospital. Having helped almost a thousand people so far, Andy offers practical support, empathy and understanding. Victims of domestic abuse in hospital are often in the immediate aftermath of a crisis: severe physical assault, drug/alcohol related medical needs, attempted suicide or self-harm, some are still in a relationship with the perpetrator which means they face additional risk. IDVA's aim is to reduce the risk of further harm and homicide, and to ensure that specialist community-based support is sustained. The role can be stressful but is extremely rewarding especially when you see how people we help change their lives for the better.

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