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**Request and Response:**

**Under the FOI legislation, please can I request the following information from you:**

- 1. What provision is currently in place for the accommodation of women fleeing domestic violence in your area? If there is no current provision, what are the proposed plans for this?**

Cornwall has 2 women's refuges for women and children; Cornwall Refuge Trust provides 6 units and West Cornwall Women's Aid who provide 11 units within communal refuge buildings. In addition, LiveWest provide 8 units of self-contained, part furnished accommodation for those fleeing domestic abuse who have additional multiple and complex needs, such as substance or alcohol misuse, mental & physical ill health, or other vulnerabilities. These are 1 or 2 bed properties in various locations in the community which are allocated according to family size and need.

We also currently fund 12 units within the Harbour Housing EVA project, which provides flexible tolerance specialist accommodation for women fleeing domestic abuse who are have complex needs but need a more intensive support service, which is delivered over shared and independent units.

- 2. How many units (beds) of accommodation for women fleeing domestic violence are present in your area currently?**

In total there are currently 37 units for women fleeing domestic abuse in Cornwall.

- 3. How many of these units can also cater for children?**



24 of these units are able to accommodate children, varying in size and suitability according to the needs of the family.

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