

Media round-up: 7th December 2023

Our work in the news

- **Lucy Hadley quoted in Cosmopolitan** - [More than half of all victims killed in domestic violence had contacted the police or NHS beforehand](#) - In response to the report, Lucy Hadley, head of policy at Women's Aid, told Cosmopolitan UK: "It is a tragic reality that so many women killed in domestic homicides have been known to police, health and other public services. We know from working with survivors that when first reporting domestic abuse, many are met with disbelief or inaction and research shows this particularly affects Black and minoritised women." Hadley agrees a more joined-up approach is needed when tackling such a widescale problem: "It is vital that all professionals – from the police to health and many more - coming into contact with survivors receive specialist domestic abuse training, from organisations like Women's Aid, to properly understand the complexities of this hideous crime and how to protect and support women. We need the government and all public services to act urgently to prevent homicides and put in place the training and resources required to help professionals make life-saving decisions."

Signposting to Women's Aid

- **ITV News** - [Domestic Abuse Commissioner vows to hold public bodies to account over deaths](#)

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