

## South Wales West Regional Committee

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**Venue: Dylan Thomas Centre, Swansea, Conference Room 1.**

**Title: Domestic Abuse**

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Victim Support is the national charity working to help victims and witnesses of crime. We are an Independent organisation, offering a free and confidential service, irrespective of whether or not a crime has been reported. Each year, trained volunteers and staff based in a network of community groups offer emotional support, practical help and information to nearly one and a half million victims of crimes ranging from burglary to the murder of a relative. Victim Support also runs the Witness Service in the criminal courts in England and Wales. In the year 2002/03, 332,189 people were supported by the Crown Court and the Magistrates Courts Witness Service. Victim Support runs a telephone Support line for victims of crime offering information and referral to local services. Victim Support also works to increase awareness of the effects of crime and to achieve greater recognition of victim's and witnesses' rights.

Our presentation will include the following:-

- Service delivery & Inter-agency action
- Safety planning, Support & Legal Assistance
- Awareness Education
- Provision of Information
- Protection & Justice