

NIDAS outreach team

Mr K referred himself to the outreach team at Thirteen's Newcastle integrated domestic abuse service (NIDAS).

He reached out for the team's help as he was a victim of domestic abuse carried out by his ex-partner.

Mr K and his partner had one child together and there were ongoing issues around contact with their child.

He had been a stay-at-home dad while his partner worked full-time. During their initial separation, their previous contact arrangements meant that their child stayed with each parent on alternate weeks. However, the perpetrator then decided to block Mr K's contact with his child.

As Mr K was experiencing domestic abuse, he got in touch with NIDAS and worked with the outreach team to help him tackle a range of issues and move forward to rebuild his life. As part of his support, he wanted help to secure regular contact with his daughter and asked for support with legal issues.

The specialist team at NIDAS supported Mr K to access legal advice and his dedicated support worker helped him to attend court. The team also worked with Mr K on activities to help him recover from the domestic abuse he experienced.

With support from legal services, a court order was imposed to arrange Mr K's contact with his child, and the NIDAS team helped him to work through the issues brought about by the domestic abuse

