

Accommodation Ashleywood House & Rose House

Testimonies from residents

"Thank you all so much for your hard work and dedication. Your job would at times appear thank less but I want to thank everyone at Ashleywood House for giving me the will to live, hope for the future and a start in life"

(Resident)

"It was the best move I made in my life; it changed my life completely for the better"

(Resident)

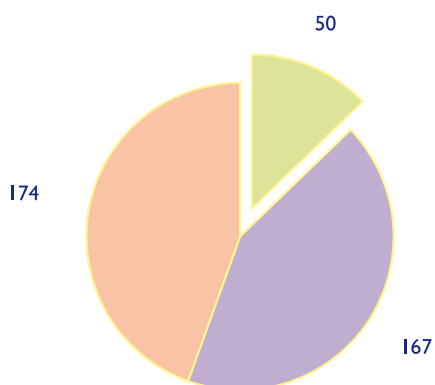
"The only comment I would like to make is to say that the staff support goes above and beyond the call of duty. I shall be forever grateful to all of them".

(Resident)

"The staff in Women's Aid are great people and they do a lot of hard work. I and my son cannot thank them enough for everything they did for us"

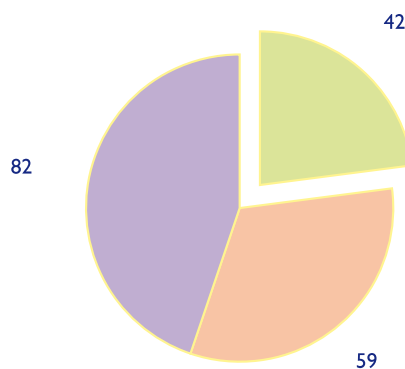
(Residents)

Ashleywood House



- Number of women accommodated
- Number of children accommodated
- Number of women who have stayed in refuge before (at any point in their lives)

Rosehouse



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- Number of children accommodated
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As always we have more children than women in the refuge and providing support for these children with limited resources has been a challenge. We are hoping resources and funding will happen as a result of the NIO 'Tackling Violence at Home Strategy'.

Outreach Statistics

Testimonies from Women

"I felt stuck and didn't know how to move, they gave me options and support. I also got referred to a course in Women's aid"

(user)

"It meant that I could pick up the phone & knowing that a supportive worker was there to help me, someone who listened and understood"

(user)

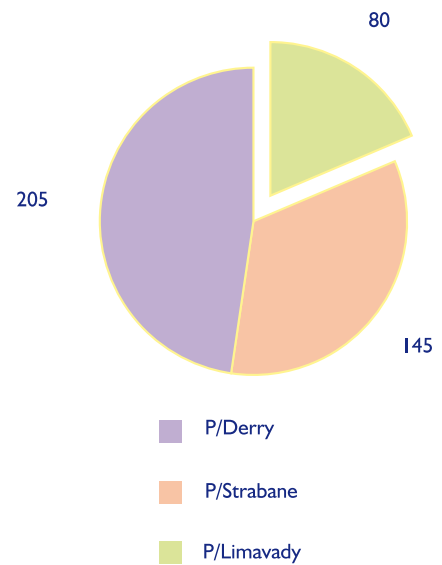
"The work I did in the sessions lead me to a better understanding of my situation"

(user)

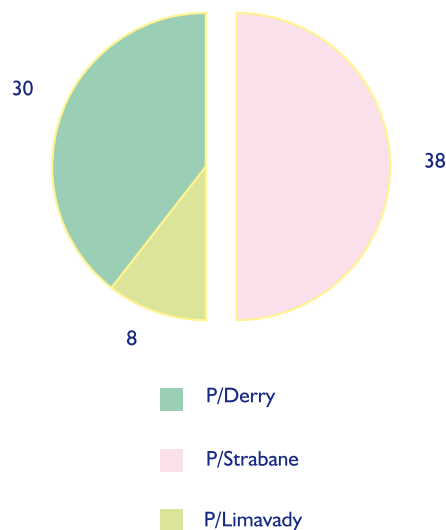
"I was accompanied to solicitors and court, which was great as this is what I was so frightened to do in the past"

(user)

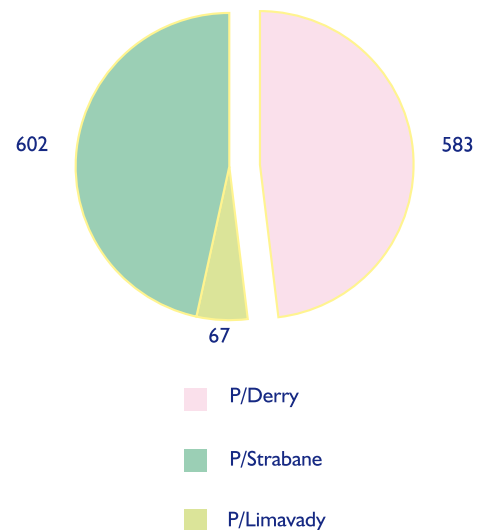
Number of Women Engaged in Floating Support



Total Drop-in Support to Centre (no appointment)



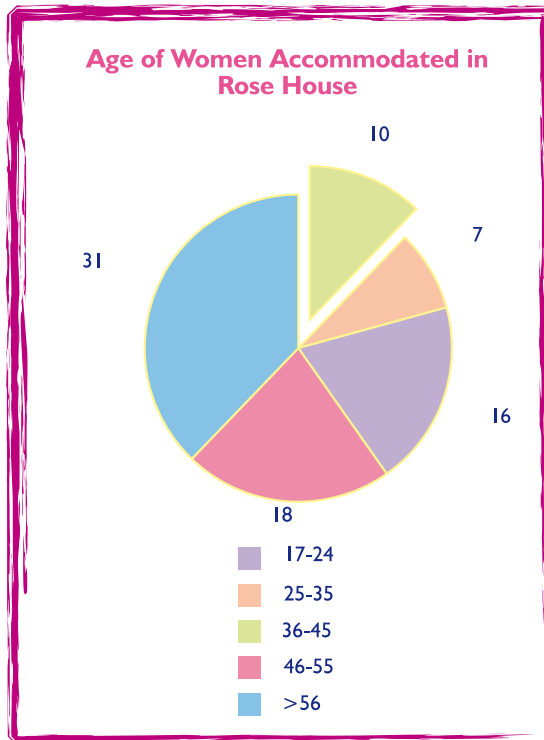
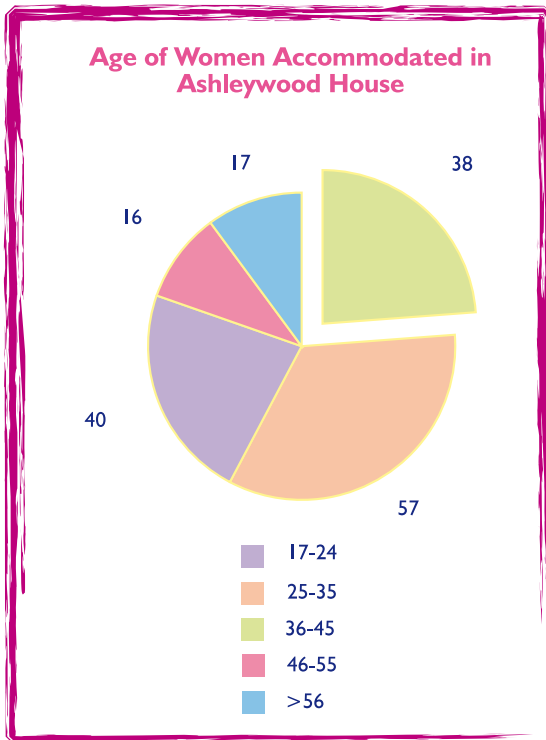
Total Incoming Information & Support Calls



Statistics

For Ashleywood/Rose House

We are seeing a new trend of much younger women seeking support services 17 years and up and older women age 56 and up using services. We have developed specific leaflets for older women and we give priority to older women suffering domestic violence accommodation in Rose House. We have identified a worker to develop activities & support programmes to meet their needs.

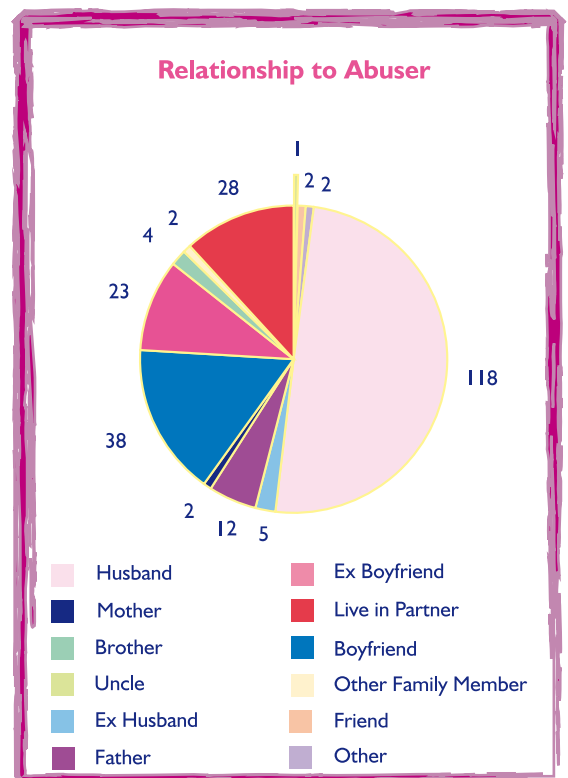
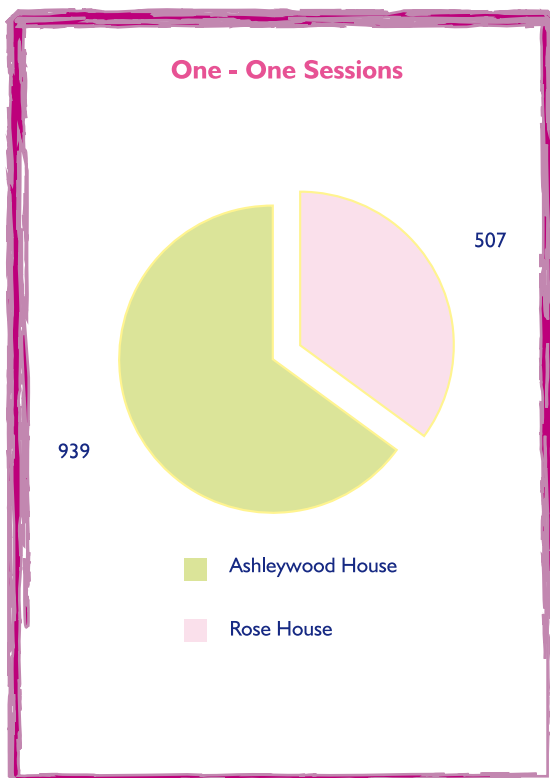
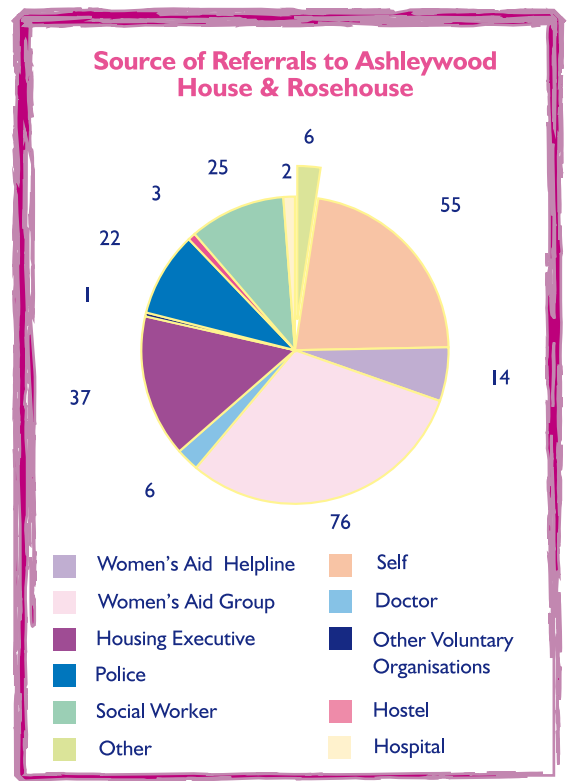
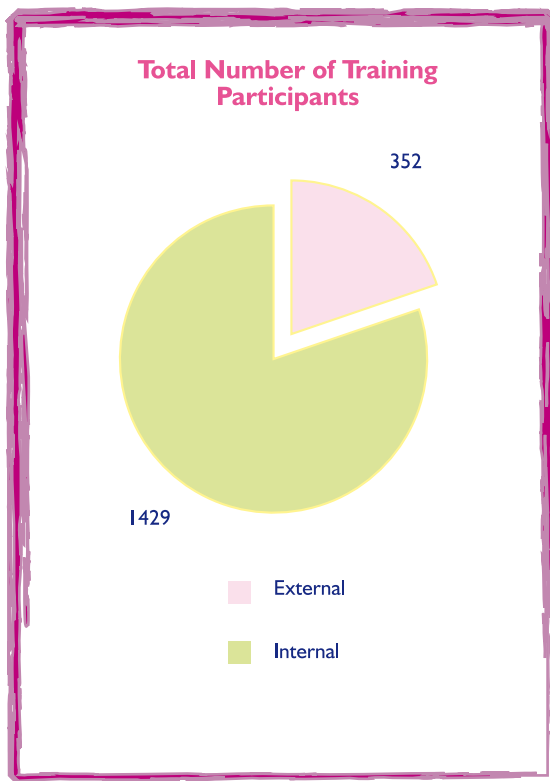


As always working with minority groups is an important part of the work of Foyle Women's Aid. A key challenge for 2006 – 2007, we will be reviewing our work and building our skills to improve accessibility to these groups.



Avert Policy Protocol and training carried out in the Foyle Trust Area will hopefully increase the knowledge of domestic violence and increase the Interagency referral process. As we know early intervention in domestic violence increases protection and can save lives.

Individual and group sessions are the key to providing the crucial support women need to tell their story and share their experiences. This has proved to be invaluable to helping women empower themselves to move on.



Statistics for Pathways Support Centres

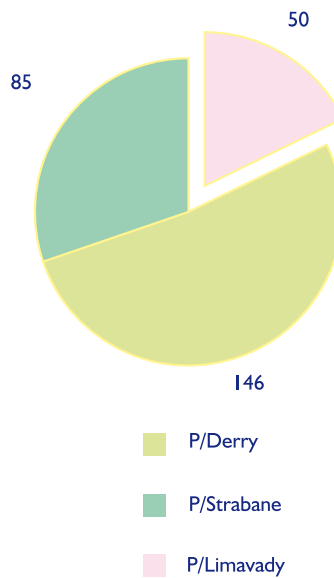
Floating Support is a busy and developing service. Limavady is a new office and the development work carried out in the area should see an increase in women using the service.

We quite often have women who walk in of the street. Women's Aid make sure that these women are given immediate support as sometimes these women are at risk, have just suffered an attack or have plucked up the courage to come forward that may not be there the next day.

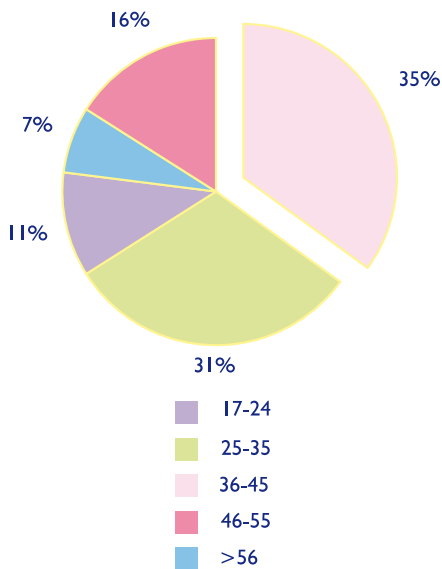
The court support services are now in constant demand and the skilled volunteers keep the service operational

Increasing numbers of home visits are being carried out and this is an important service for women who for various reasons cannot come into the local offices. This makes the service more accessible in particular women from rural areas.

Number of Home Visits



Age of Women Who Used Our Service



Number of Court Appointments

