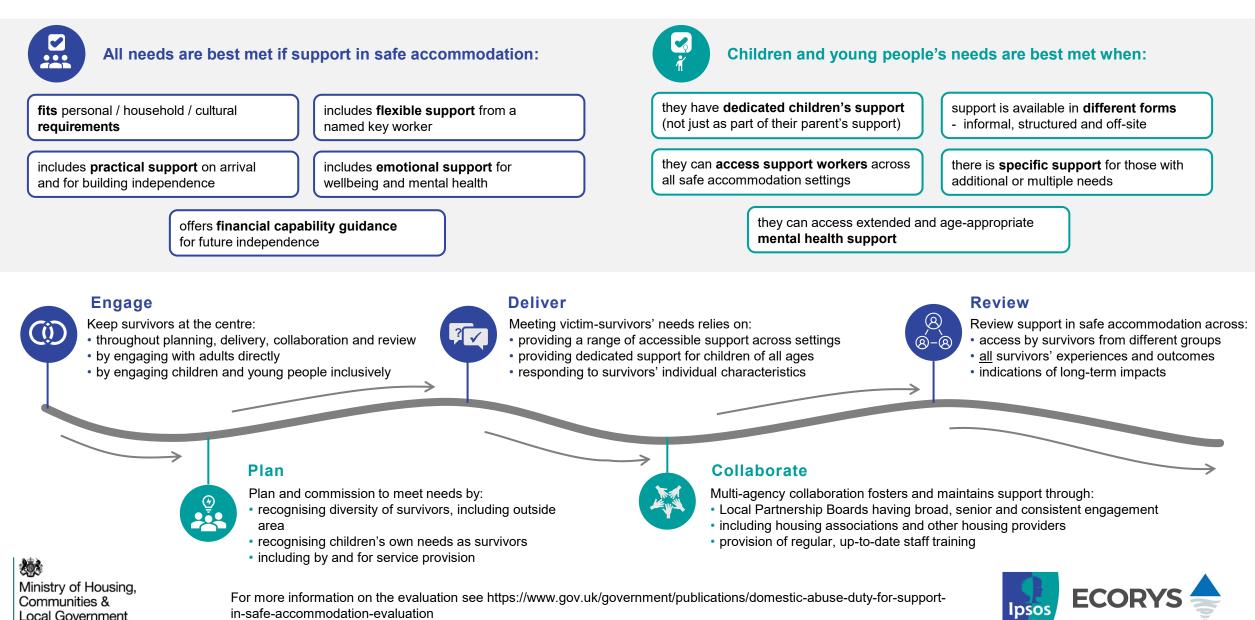
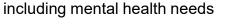
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Children's support

Meet children's support needs with:

- dedicated children's support workers in all settings
- specific support for children with additional needs, including mental health needs



Local directories

Make local support clear with comprehensive, updated information on options so survivors can make informed choices and professionals can signpost

Commissioning

Joint approach

Increase diversity of support provision by making requirements and processes accessible to small specialist providers and By and For services

Anticipate and meet all survivors' needs by:

- co-ordinating with neighbouring local authorities

- monitoring and evaluating delivery and outcomes

on needs assessments, strategies and commissioning

Victim-centered

Survivors should be at the heart of how local authorities implement the duty

Mental health training

Financial capability

Improve day-to-day support for mental health with mental health first aid training for staff in safe accommodation

Extend support for survivors' independence by

offering guidance on financial management

through voluntary-sector expert providers

Monitoring outcomes

Improve understanding of what works for survivors by assessing how best to measure the impact of support through standardised outcome measurements and tools to develop a comparable evidence base

Sanctuary schemes

Assess how the duty works in sanctuary schemes by researching how the duty is used to support survivors and how support needs are best met in these settings



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