there is no way out for them. And knowing that if they dishonour their family they could potentially lose their life in a more brutal and painful way. To only then be buried 6ft under and nobody to know. 68% of 16-25 years olds think honour crime is acceptable this is because older members of traditional families have passed down their views and traditions making the younger generation of their family less modernised but not only this they are having an identity crisis and because of this they are following the old traditional views so there for they aren’t learning the western culture.

18% of people think it’s acceptable to physically punish their wives. Domestic abuse, the majority of victims are female at a massive 99% meaning only 1% of domestic abuse victims are men. Why? Because the males hold the aggressive and instrumental role within the family and females hold the expressive role and have a lesser job in the family role, this is because most women are seen as objects and not people. 1 on 8 women have been repeatedly abused by their husbands and Yearnshire; found that on average women will suffer 35 assaults before calling the police. And is this because the police are reluctant? The sociologist David Cheal; Found that state agencies (police etc.) are reluctant to get involved because they assume the family is quiet, and things should be kept behind closed doors. This links in with functionalist’s view of the family, they believe the family should keep their problems behind closed doors, meaning anything could happen. But because of the amount of sheer abuse happening anyone who wasn’t taken seriously at first are now placed on an urgencies list and if they phone again the police have to be there within ten minutes in case something goes wrong because this could potentially end with someone’s life.

Patriarchy ideology is the social system in which males hold primary power, predominate in roles of political leadership, moral authority and social privileges and control or property in the domain of the family, fathers or father-figures hold authority over women and children. Constantina Saffiolois Rotschild; decision making power, the males make major decisions (Finance, care, house) while the women make the lesser decisions (food and clothes. This is because men are the head of the family and women are more dependent on the males and due to this women are more scared to leave because they are fear of being financially independent. Men tend to be the main breadwinners and see this as a way of control, because this is leads females to having less decision making power, making them more vulnerable. But when the roles are reversed the males tend to have a masculinity crisis because their partner is earning more. Men see that as a threat, because they are no longer in charge and women are becoming more independent and not just financially but mentally and emotionally. Due to a man’s natural instinct is to be aggressive when under threat is this why men become aggressive on their wives, so they feel more in control? Because of this lack of male dominance they become abusive towards the females to earn their place back as the head of the house, and by doing so they put their partner/spouse back into place so they know the males have control. Macionis and Plummer (2012) identify “domestic labour” as another form of patriarchy. This extends into private home life and gives an example of a “typical” female role and therefore gives a male dominance and power in the home. From a distorted belief that men have a right to control their partners through violence and a fear of violence is a major reason for domestic abuse because it explains the significance of males and power. This supports the idea of honour crime because by dishonouring the family the female needs to be put back into place and because of this lack of male power and dominance they resort to abuse, rape and even murder.

The Feminist theory in domestic violence emphasises gender and power inequality in opposite sex relationships. Kurz (1997) A feminists also acknowledge the fact that females can also be violence when in a relationship with men but up until recently they didn’t see the issue of abusing men as a