



Safeguarding

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2022



OUR FIRST SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER IS FINALLY HERE!

It has been a busy start to the year in the safeguarding team, preparing for the new national training to be launched in April and developing clear processes for the Diocese to adopt in safer recruitment, case management and parish safeguarding.

TRAINING

The new training can be accessed online through the national training hub by anyone with a role in the church and once this has been released, we will update you of which role requires what course and also whether they are to be accessed online, virtually or in person. Locally we will be developing additional training relevant to the Diocese and our processes along with safeguarding training focusing on issues locally relevant to parishes and the work you carry out.



WEBSITE

The new website is now up and running with some resources available to be accessed. The safeguarding pages are still under development awaiting the further resource being developed nationally. We have tried to keep the layout as simple and user friendly as possible. By the end of this year all the information we require will be available.



CHANGES TO OUR TEAM

Julie Welsh began in her post on 17th January as the safeguarding officer/caseworker and works Mon – Weds. We are currently reviewing the safeguarding plans that we have in place in the parishes and how they can be managed in the parish. Please get in touch if you have an individual who is attending your church under a safeguarding plan or if you have information about someone attending the church who has sexual offence convictions if we haven't contacted you.

Jane Black safeguarding administrator will be developing her role in the team and become the safeguarding support and volunteer co-ordinator. Her new role will still remain to provide administration support within the team but will also have more focus on supporting parish safeguarding reps, particularly with safer recruitment and training.

To ensure we can remain to deliver the high standard of the DBS processing service, we will be recruiting a part time DBS administrator.

AS FROM APRIL 2022 THE NEW SAFEGUARDING DEPARTMENT/TEAM STRUCTURE AND SUPPORT WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

Director of Safeguarding

Rachael Campion

Safeguarding Officer/Caseworker

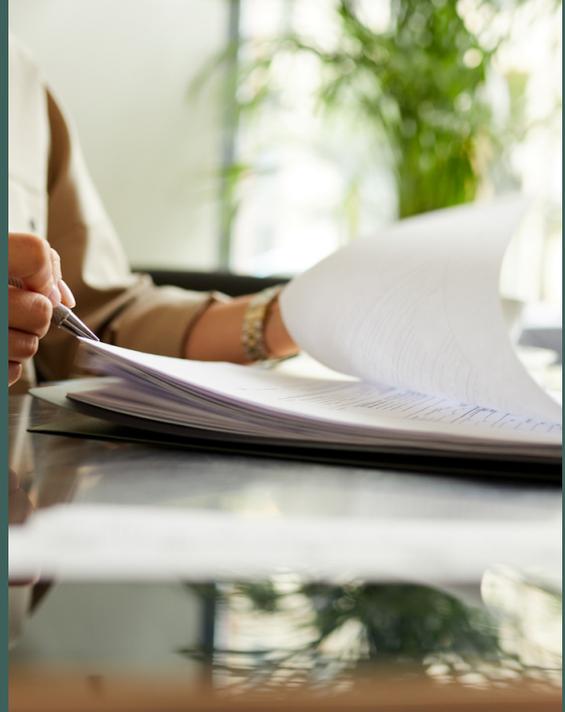
Julie Welsh

Safeguarding Support and Volunteer Coordinator

Jane Black

DBS Administrator

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POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Safer recruitment has been a priority this quarter, so once the national training is received, we can roll out the new procedural guide for safer recruitment across the diocese and offer support.

The safeguarding process around children's groups is being reviewed to ensure we are all following best practice across the Diocese, this will be addressed following a parish self audit, currently in development and we will update PSR's when its is ready for completing with your parish priest.

VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS

The safeguarding team are developing ways to provide a platform for victims and survivors of abuse within the church to have a voice of how we can make positive changes in the support that we offer and the processes we follow. If you know anyone who would like to be part of a victim and survivor group for the Diocese, please get in touch for a further discussion.



in other news...

A big welcome to the following new PSR's for 2022, and thank you for taking on this important parish ministry.

CLARE SAFFELL - OUR LADY OF MERCY & ST PHILIP NERI, MELBOURNE

ROD DARBY - ST MARY IN THE ELMS, WOODHOUSE EAVES

JANE WATTS - ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, LONG EATON

CHRISTINE THOMAS - ST ANTHONY'S, CALVERTON

VIRGINIA ASTILL - HOLY CROSS, LEICESTER

And in 2022 goodbye to;

CATHERINE ARKLEY - OUR LADY OF MERCY & ST PHILIP NERI MELBOURNE

KATHERYN FRASER - ST MARY IN THE ELMS, WOODHOUSE EAVES

CAROL MORRIS - ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, LONG EATON

DOROTHY YATES - HOLY CROSS, LEICESTER

Thank you for all the years you have committed to the important role of PSR in your parish.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE OFFICE

Email: Safeguarding@dioceseofnottingham.uk

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Please use the above contact details for all enquires, including requesting an up to date parish list, purple forms etc.

PSR email address - if you haven't done so already please contact Angela Calderon on 0115 6481513 for your password and any help setting up the account.
From **1st March** the safeguarding office is no longer using personal email addresses.

... and lastly

Could all PSR's please complete the confidentiality agreement for your role.

Going forward, these will be contained in the new PSR's induction pack when initially appointed. Due to the potential disclosures you may receive and where parishes have individuals who are subject to a safeguarding plan, it is important that we have put measures in place to ensure we only share the information with those who have a legitimate safeguarding reason.

Thank you all for the work that you do in the parishes, this is a time of change and we are all working together to keep our church community safe and healthy, you are all very much appreciated.

