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**Welcome to the latest edition of the Safeguarding Newsletter -  
August 2020.**

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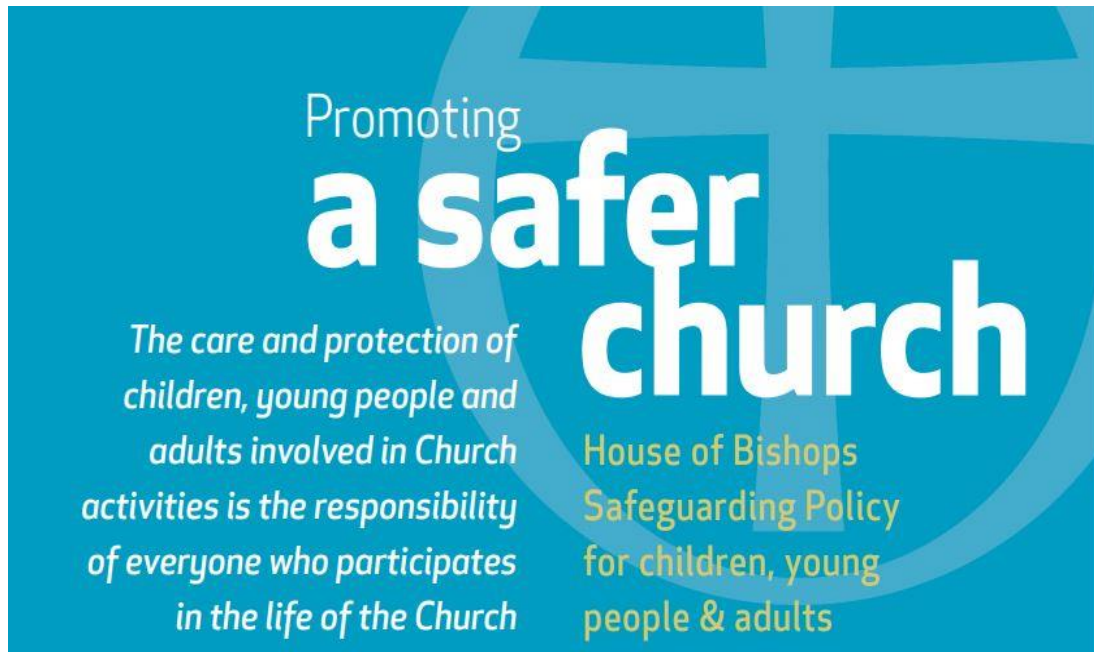
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Safeguarding website page*



<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2017-11/cofe-policy-statement.pdf>

## **TRAINING:**

C0 and C1 training can be found at:

<https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/>

C0 is suitable for all those within our Church communities who need to have a basic awareness of safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

C1 is for anyone who has safeguarding responsibilities and those who have contact in their church role with children and young people and/or vulnerable adults.

C2 training is required for anyone who has safeguarding leadership responsibilities or responsibility for leading activities involving children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

The National Safeguarding Team have produced a C2 leadership training programme which is delivered via online video conferencing such as Zoom. We are currently piloting this training with the volunteer trainers who have kindly agreed to assist.

Priority will be given for clergy and parish safeguarding officers who need to complete C2 training or need to update. An email will be sent to those requiring training with booking details.

The training consists of two ninety-minute sessions which are approximately a week apart. Participants will be required to complete a workbook which is returned before the first session. The course will be evaluated three to four weeks after the second session.

A CPD accredited C2, face to face training will be available at the end of the year.

Please note workplace training does not currently replace church safeguarding training.

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## **DBS:**

All DBS applications are made through ThirtyOne:Eight (formerly CCPAS).

DBS applications must only be made for those who work or volunteer in the parish or for an organisation that is supported by the parish.

Churchwardens, those with responsibilities for under 18 year old's, volunteers and

helpers need an updated DBS every five years.

Any queries please contact Kim Nash: [kim.nash@chichester.anglican.org](mailto:kim.nash@chichester.anglican.org)

Detailed information regarding DBS is available through ThirtyOne:Eight website:

<https://thirtyoneeight.org/about-us/who-we-are/mission-vision-and-values/>

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## **SIMPLE QUALITY PROTECTS: SQP**

Thank you to all the parishes who have completed their SQP Level One Certification.

The team will be contacting the deaneries still to complete SQP Level One with instructions regarding the requirements for certification.

A reminder to all parishes who have completed SQP Level One that:

- Safeguarding should be a regular agenda item for PCC meetings
- You should be completing a yearly review of safeguarding
- The safeguarding officer can revisit their parish SQP folder via the Diocesan website to review their documentation and download any forms required for their safeguarding pack

<https://safeguarding.chichester.anglican.org/sqp/>

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## **ATTENDANCE AGREEMENTS:**

In the event of churches now opening their doors again we need to re-visit all attendance agreements. Please can I ask that all incumbents and parish safeguarding officers check when your agreements were due for renewal and make contact with me so we can put a tentative date in the diary. As you would expect there is now going to be a back log and my diary as of September is filling up. Your co-operation would be gratefully appreciated, and I look forward to hearing from you all.

Bestwishes,

VickyMartin

Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor

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## **Past Cases Review 2: PCR2**

A big thank you to all the parishes who have completed their safeguarding case file review and returned the Form 1A and declaration following Bishop Martin's Ad Clerum in February 2020.

For parishes who have not yet had an opportunity to complete this work, the forms initially sent out, along with further information can be found on the diocese safeguarding website:

<https://safeguarding.chichester.anglican.org/past-case-review-2/>

The PCR2 Reference Group and Bishop Martin have agreed that for those parishes who are in vacancy, the Church Warden should complete this work with the assistance and oversight of the Rural Dean. The Rural Dean should sign the declaration form.

Project Progress: the PCR2 Reference Group has now been established and now that lock down measures are starting to ease, the recruitment of the independent

reviewers who will be completing the work has progressed with three having been appointed and another round of interviews to be held in early September.

If anyone has any queries, questions or comments please contact the PCR2 Project Manager, Claire Coles, on [http://PCR2@chichester.anglican.org](mailto:PCR2@chichester.anglican.org)

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## **PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS:**

Please can any newly appointed Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSO) scan or post their details to the safeguarding team, using the Safeguarding Policy Statement once completed and approved by the PCC, together with a completed data consent form.

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/documents/data-consent-form/>

<https://safeguarding.chichester.anglican.org/documents/parish-safeguarding-officer-role/>

<https://safeguarding.chichester.anglican.org/documents/category/policy/>

If you would like to set up a peer support group the contact details of each parish's safeguarding officers are on the CMS database on the Church of England portal:

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/database/>

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## **PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE (PTO)**

PTO and DBS administration is currently delayed due to remote working and revised government guidance. This may cause some Permissions to expire during this time. It may not be possible for DBS identity documents to be verified in the near future, due to shielding, restricted contact and government directives regarding Covid-19.

The Church of England PTO Practice Guidance states 'The House of Bishops is therefore committed to safely appointing and supporting all those (including clerics with Permission to Officiate, (PTO) with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the Church. It is committed to ensuring that appropriate training is provided and that no-one whose training is not up to date can engage in ministry.'

For PTO clergy who require training an e-mail will be sent out soon with details of how to book onto the C2 online safeguarding training.

Details of clergy who have permission to officiate are available via the CMS website:

<https://www.chichester.anglican.org/database/>

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## **NATIONAL GUIDANCE: SARS COVID-19**

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches>

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## **HELP AND GUIDANCE:**

**Survivors' Network - Supporting survivors of sexual violence and abuse in Sussex**

**6a Pavilion Buildings, Brighton. BN1 1EE**

<http://www.survivorsnetwork.org.uk>

Helpline Wednesdays 12-2pm: 01273 720 110

At Survivors' Network, we are mindful that there are many barriers for people in speaking out about their experiences of sexual assault or abuse. This can include feeling as though they will be judged or penalised for something they were doing in the lead up, or at the time of it happening. So, with that in mind, if something like this has happened whilst not adhering to lockdown guidelines, we want to ensure that people feel able to reach out to us for information and support; free of any judgment. If you have any questions or worries around this, feel free to contact us on

**01273 203 380.**

**National Domestic Abuse Helpline**

<https://www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk/>

Refuge runs the National Domestic Abuse Helpline, which you can call for free, and in confidence, 24 hours a day on **0808 2000 247**. Its website provides guidance and support for potential victims, as well as those who are worried about friends and loved ones.



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## **COUNTY SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS - CHILDREN:**

### **West Sussex:**

**MASH on 01403 229 900 / [MASH@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@westsussex.gov.uk)**

### **Brighton and Hove:**

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### **East Sussex:**

**01323 464 222 / [0-19.SPOA@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:0-19.SPOA@eastsussex.gov.uk)**

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## **COUNTY SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS - ADULTS:**

**Brighton & Hove City Council Adult Social Care - 01273 295 555**

**East Sussex Health and Social Care Connect - [0345 60 80 191](tel:03456080191)**

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