

# **SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER**

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#### Introduction

Welcome to our summer newsletter.

We have had a busy three months with lots of activity in the Safeguarding Team, despite continuing to work from home. Our independent reviewers for Past Cases Review 2 (PCR2) have arrived on site and are currently in the process of reviewing our safeguarding files.

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming you to our PSO events – thank you very much to all of those who gave up your time to attend. For those of you unable to attend, you will find more information later in the newsletter.

We were very sorry to learn that one of our Deanery Safeguarding Links for City Deanery, Mrs. Linda Burgess-Mackay, had passed away. We really appreciate the commitment she showed to safeguarding and we send our condolences to all who knew and loved her.

#### Training Update Review

The National Safeguarding Team has reviewed all the Church of England safeguarding training and has recently produced a new **Learning and Development Framework** which dioceses are required to agree and implement. All training now follows 'Pathways' and the old names for modules have been dropped. Here is a brief list of the Core Pathway modules:

- **Basic** (formerly C0) e-learning available on the National C of E Safeguarding portal
- Foundation (formerly C1) e-learning, also available on the national portal
- Leadership (formerly C2 and C3) preparation work and Zoom sessions, plus occasional face-to-face.

## Renew

We have renewed the safeguarding training on offer, which continues to be over Zoom sessions for the time being. We now offer or plan to offer the following range of sessions, all of which are available to book at the link below:

Leadership – 2 x 90 minutes by Zoom, with compulsory preparation work and review Safer Recruitment – currently 90 minutes by Zoom, new version expected late 2021 Domestic Abuse – currently 2 ½ hours by Zoom, new e-learning version expected late 2021 Parish Safeguarding Officer Induction – 2 hours by Zoom

**PTO** - Clergy/Lay with Permission to Officiate – new course by Zoom expected September

## Resource

We have produced a very simple 'Table Talk' resource for use at PCCs and other small groups. There are 16 simple questions around safeguarding to get small groups discussing and sharing their understanding. The questions come with clear instructions and suggested answers. This will be emailed out to PSOs very soon.

Nick Harding -Safeguarding Training (part-time) - <a href="million.ick.harding@derby.anglican.org">nick.harding@derby.anglican.org</a>Training bookings:<a href="https://derbysafeguarding.eventbrite.co.uk/">https://derbysafeguarding.eventbrite.co.uk/</a>

## Summer 2021 **PSO events**

We have held two PSO events on 24 April and 12 May. We had an amazing turnout - 103 attendeesand no major zoom meeting problems!

Hopefully the PSOs who joined us received some useful updates about training and DBS. There was also information shared about national developments including PCR2 and we learnt a bit more about the National Church's response to IICSA (the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse). After getting the chance to (virtually) meet and hear from the safeguarding team, we were ready for the main event- our external speaker.

Daphne Franks gave a very personal account of her mother's experience of predatory marriage – a presentation which held all our attention and left us with lots to think about, especially in terms of some of our more vulnerable church attendees. Daphne's website is <u>www.predatorymarriage.uk</u> also known as "Justice for Joan".

#### Parish Dashboard ... now's the time!

With church activities resuming, now is a great time to review and update your Dashboard – we know that many of you have started to do this. For those of you not signed up to the Dashboard or at level 0, we will be contacting you over the next few months with offers of support.

Our Dashboard leads are: Dave Bowden (david.bowden@derby.anglican.org) and

Sue Griffin (sue.griffin@derby.anglican.org)

#### **DBS update**

The streamlining of the DBS application process and transfer of the verification of applications to PSOs has continued - thank you to everyone who has attended training and been patient while we have registered parishes with APCS. So far 70 are registered and by the end of June this should be increased to 110 parishes. All parishes must complete the transfer to the new process by September 2021. If you have not yet registered to train for the new system, you can find the details of courses here: <u>https://derby.anglican.org/en/resources-for-parish-safeguarding-officers.html</u>

We are still waiting for an announcement regarding the change of frequency of renewal of DBS. At present the requirement remains at five years. For some roles, volunteers may need to have a renewal after three years – please email any queries to: judie.fogarty@derby.anglican.org.

## Meet the team ... Cath Shipsides, ADSA



I joined Derbyshire Police after leaving school and worked for them for 35 years. I then worked for the local authority as a Court Support Officer, supporting domestic abuse victims through the court process, before joining the Diocese. I have been married to Tony for 30 years and we have two grown up children.

I love going on holiday, but my biggest love is spending time with family and friends. I also have a passion for watching rugby (especially the Six Nations) and organising events – if there is an excuse for a party, I will organise it! My biggest achievement was doing a parachute jump for

charity ... twice! We raised lots of money for charity, but I did end up in hospital the next day with whiplash!

I love working in the Diocese and meeting lots of people I would never have come across in my life before. Our job is made so much easier with your help and we could not do it without you. Thank you.