

SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

July 2016

Emailed to clergy, licensed lay ministers, parish safeguarding officers and church wardens. Please let Karen Setchfield (karen.setchfield@peterborough-diocese.org.uk) know if your role has changed. Please pass this newsletter on to as many people as possible!

WELCOME ... to the Newsletter for Safeguarding Children and Adults who may be vulnerable. You can find a printer-friendly version of this and previous Newsletters at: www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/safeguardingnews

1 New Safeguarding Assistant!

The volume and complexity of safeguarding concerns has steadily increased over the past two years in the Peterborough Diocese. In addition, the national church requires the introduction of an extensive safeguarding training programme by all dioceses, and the review and development of policy and safeguarding good practice. The Goddard Inquiry (below) is now also taking up larger amounts of time.

I am delighted to announce the appointment of Beverly Huff as the new Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser. Beverly started on 4th July 2016 and works 4.5 days a week. She is based at the Diocesan Offices in Peterborough. Beverly is a retired Senior Police Officer (DCI) and will bring huge experience and expertise to the role. She will focus mainly on casework but will also help with training and practice guidance. Garry Johnson, Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor, will focus on training and practice guidance whilst retaining a small caseload.

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2 Safeguarding Audit of Peterborough Diocese

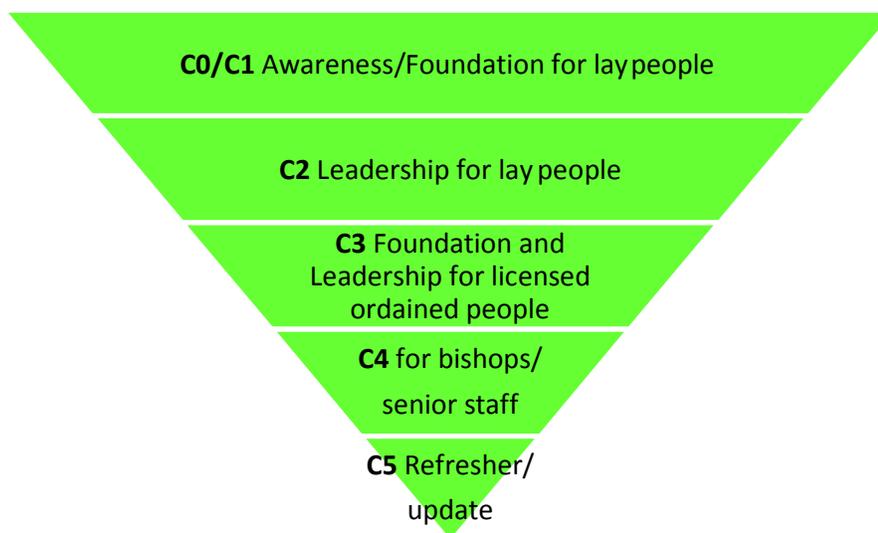
The Church of England has commissioned the Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) to undertake audits of the safeguarding arrangements of all

Dioceses in England. This diocese was audited in February achieving positive results. The auditors' report can be found on the Peterborough Diocese website at <http://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/church-resources-safeguarding/peterborough-diocese-independent-safeguarding-audit-february-2016>

A strategic plan for the implementation of the reviews recommendations is likely to be approved this month at the July meeting of the Diocesan Safeguarding Management Group.

3 Safeguarding Training Workshops

The Church of England requires all Dioceses to introduce a new national safeguarding training programme. This will be common to all Dioceses. It will comprise the following:



S1 Safer recruitment

S2 Pastoral relationship, confidentiality, confession

S3 Responding to domestic abuse

S4 Grooming, sexual abuse, responding to survivors

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We will start to roll out this programme from January 2017, starting with C0, C1 C2, C3. More details will follow in the coming months.

3.1 Upcoming Safeguarding Training Workshops Children and Adults 2016

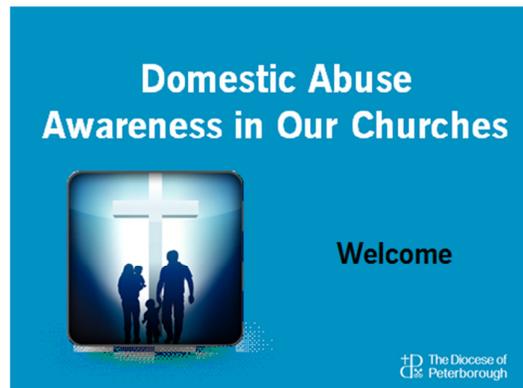
Foundation Workshops unless indicated:

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| 1. Tuesday 13 th September 2016 | Bouverie Court, Northampton |
| 2. Thursday 6 th October 2016 | Domestic Abuse, Bouverie Court |
| 3. Saturday 8 th October 2016 | St Barnabas Wellingborough |
| 4. Saturday 29 th October 2016 | The Cedar Centre, Castor |
| 5. Thursday 10 th November 2016 | Bouverie Court, Northampton |
| 6. Saturday 12 th November 2016 | Emmanuel, Northampton |
| 7. Saturday 26 th November 2016 | St Lukes, Duston |
| 8. Saturday 3 rd December 2016 | Rutland Deanery |

Please contact Sharon Welbourne to book onto Safeguarding Training Workshops.

sharon.welbourne@peterborough-diocese.org.uk

3.2 Domestic Abuse Awareness Workshop 2016



**Bouverie Court, Northampton,
9.30am – 3.30pm.
Thursday 6th October 2015.
Lunch is provided.**

*To reserve your place please contact
Sharon Welbourne.*

Sharon.welbourne@peterborough-diocese.org.uk

This workshop aims to help you develop a basic knowledge and awareness of domestic abuse and the ability to act when you have concerns about the safety and welfare of victims or survivors in parish churches, within the Diocese of Peterborough. It's run as part of the Diocese's Safeguarding Training Programme. It's designed for ordained and lay ministers, and all working or intending to work with children and adults in our churches across the Diocese. This training will be presented by Louise Drage and Garry Johnson, Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor. Louise, who worships in the diocese, is a BACP accredited counsellor in private practice. She also worked for many years as a counsellor in the Northampton Counselling Service. Louise has a special interest and expertise in the field of domestic abuse.

4 The Goddard Enquiry

The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (also known as the Goddard Inquiry) has recently been set up to investigate institutional failings by public bodies and other non-state institutions. The Church of England is the subject of one of the investigations. There have so far been 3 requests from the Inquiry for information from Dioceses. These requests for information, which are detailed and extensive, are likely to continue for the foreseeable future.

3 National Safeguarding Policies and Practice Guidance



The complete list of current national safeguarding policy and practice guidance is as follows:

[Responding to Serious Safeguarding Situations \(2015\)](#)

[Risk Assessment for Individuals who may Pose Risk to Children or Adults \(2015\)](#)

[Safer Recruitment \(2015\)](#)

[Safeguarding in Religious Communities \(2015\)](#)

The following pieces are approved jointly with the Methodist Church:

[Safeguarding Records: Joint Practice Guidance for the Church of England and the Methodist Church \(2015\)](#)

[Safeguarding Guidance for Single Congregation Local Ecumenical Partnerships \(2015\)](#)

[Promoting a Safe Church \(safeguarding policy for adults\) 2006](#) to be revised and combined with 'Protecting All God's Children' as a single safeguarding policy

[Protecting All God's Children \(safeguarding policy for children and young people, 4th edition, 2010\)](#) to be revised and combined with 'Promoting a Safe Church' as a single safeguarding policy

[Responding Well to those who have been sexually abused \(2011\)](#) to be revised as Practice Guidance

[Responding to Domestic Abuse \(guidelines for those with pastoral responsibility, 2006\)](#) to be revised as Practice Guidance

All of the above policy and practice guidance can be found on the Church of England website at <https://www.churchofengland.org/clergy-office-holders/protecting-and-safeguarding-children-and-adults-who-are-vulnerable/safeguarding-policy-statements-practice-guidance.aspx>



You can get information about many of your safeguarding queries on line at

www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/safeguarding

Or you can ring **Garry Johnson, Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser**, on 01733 887041, or **Beverly Huff, Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser** on 01733 887040 or e-mail at:

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