



SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER

JANUARY ANNUAL SAFEGUARDING OFFICER'S CONFERENCE

The date is set – Saturday January 9th – 10.30 start (coffee from 10 am) – 3 pm. Lunch provided.

What are we doing this year?

Apart from space to get together and discuss issues which come up,

Workshop 1

Help – a sexual offender has joined my church?

We will look at what sort of scenarios might arise, what sort of contract might be needed,

What the Safeguarding issues are, and who might need protecting, how survivors may feel and how churches may divide over issues involved.

The practicalities of setting up contracts and Forums for discussion and pastoral support will also be discussed

Workshop 2

E-Safety

What are the issues about safety on the internet? Can Youth groups safely communicate by social networking sites and what of text messaging. Is there any guidance?

Interested?

Ring or email Jan Atkins – jan@atkins8991.fsworld.co.uk or 0208 555 0218

CREATING SAFER SPACE

We are ready to roll out Module A now.

Just a reminder of who needs to take this course.

- Superintendents
- Local Preachers
- Worship leaders
- Circuit Stewards
- Property Steward
- Circuit meeting Secretary
- Circuit Administrators
- Circuit Safeguarding Representatives
- Presbyters
- Deacons
- Lay workers with pastoral responsibility
- Pre-ordination (students and probationers)
- Evangelism/Mission enablers
- Children's/Youth Workers Leaders (paid and volunteer)
- Children's holiday clubs
- Junior Church teachers/ leaders/ assistants
- Choir, Music group leaders & key church musicians
- Drama group leaders
- Pastoral workers with children
- Parents/ Carer and Toddler leaders

Any other people who work with children

How will it work?

The London Safeguarding Group will be providing training for and working with suitable people in order to provide Module A locally.

Attendance lists will need to be sent to the District Office to help ensure all who need it get the benefit of the training and to plan future work.

Training the Trainers?

There will be another course – Saturday 14th November at Westminster Central Hall.

10.30 start (coffee from 10 am) – 3 pm. Lunch provided.

We will be looking at the course material in relation to training techniques and how adults learn. Also we will look at what sort of issues can come up when training in the sensitive area of Safeguarding in churches.

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