

DIOCESE OF WINCHESTER

SAFEGUARDING & INCLUSION

Newsletter

September 2012

Please ensure that this newsletter is made available to all those who have contact with children and vulnerable adults. Thank you.

To reduce costs we are trying to send this newsletter by email. Please ensure we have your up to date email address. Thank you

Changes due to the Protection of Freedoms Act

There are several changes due to come into force from 10 September 2012. The one which will impact on your checking processes is

- Regulated Activity is being redefined to focus mainly on work which involves close and unsupervised contact with vulnerable groups. The activities and work that are being taken out of Regulated Activity will still be eligible for Enhanced CRB checks, but not for barred list checks.
- Applications can only be submitted to the CRB for Standard or Enhanced checks where the applicant is aged **16 or over** at the time of making the application. Please note, it is your responsibility to ensure that this is adhered to.

The evidence that can be seen has also changed. On page two we have included a flow chart to help with the process.

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Attachment: Safer Recruiting

ALERT

A man in his early 60's, calling himself Tony Bullett, is visiting churches in the area and asking / demanding to play the organ. He appears to have no interest in worship or becoming part of the church community.

If you have had any contact with / or subsequently have contact with this person or anyone resembling him please treat him with extreme caution and contact Jane on 07921 865374 as soon as possible.

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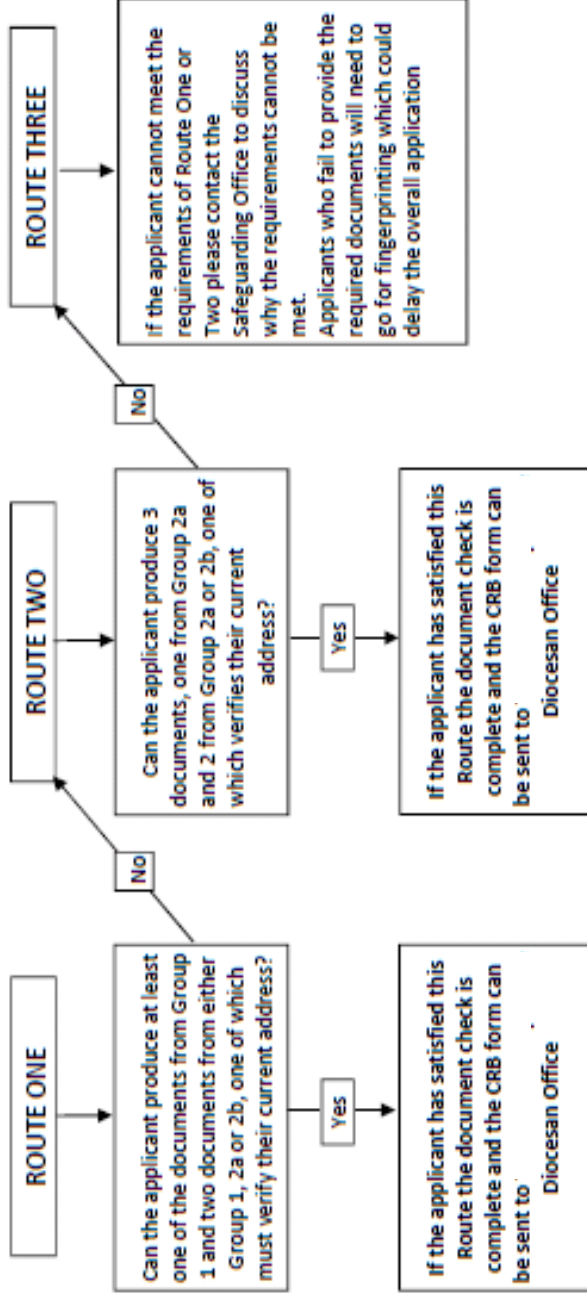
CRB IDENTITY CHECKING PROCESS (for parishes)

GROUP 1—PRIMARY TRUSTED IDENTITY CREDENTIALS

- Current valid passport (UK or EEA)
- If passport is non EEA a Biometric Residence Permit or current work permit/visa must be produced
- Current Driving Licence (UK) (Full or provisional) Isle of Man/Channel Islands—Photo card only valid if presented with associated paper counterpart(except Jersey)
- Birth Certificate (UK/Channel Islands)—issued within 12 months of date of birth - full or short form acceptable including those issued by UK authorities overseas

GROUP 2a—TRUSTED GOVERNMENT/STATE ISSUED DOCUMENTS

- Current valid passport (UK, EEA or Non-EEA)
- Current Driving Licence (Photo-card or old style paper version)
- Biometric Residence Permit (UK)
- Birth Certificate (UK/Channel Islands)—issued within 12 months of date of birth
- Certified copy of Birth Certificate (UK/Channel Islands)—issued after 12 months of date of birth
- Marriage/Civil Partnership Certificate (UK)
- Adoption Certificate (UK)
- HM Forces ID Card (UK)
- Fire Arms Licence (UK)



GROUP 2b—FINANCIAL/SOCIAL HISTORY DOCUMENTS

- Mortgage Statement (UK) issued within previous 12 months
- Bank/Building Society Statement (UK) must be less than 3 months old
- Credit Card Statement (UK) must be less than 3 months old
- Financial Statement e.g. pension, endowment, ISA (UK) issued within previous 12 months
- P45/P60 Statement (UK and Channel Islands) issued within previous 12 months
- Council Tax Statement (UK and Channel Islands) issued within previous 12 months
- Work Permit/Visa (UK/UK Residence Permit) issued within previous 12 months
- Utility Bill (UK) not mobile phone and less than 3 months old
- Benefit Statement e.g. Child Allowance, Pension—less than 3 months old
- EU National ID Card
- Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo (UK) Government from Central/Local Government/ Government Agency/Local Authority giving entitlement (UK and Channel Islands) - less than 3 months old

Other training providers

We are aware that a number of commercial organisations are contacting churches offering a range of Safeguarding Services. It should be noted that none of these have any links to the Church of England or the Diocese. We do not know whether what they offer complies with the requirements of the House of Bishops' Policy and Guidelines. You are, of course, free to use whatever resources you wish but please do remember we are all required to ensure we work to Diocesan Policies. If you have any questions please contact Jane.

Courses for 2012 / 2013

The following courses are available as follows, all courses are at Old Alresford Place unless otherwise indicated:

Introduction to Safeguarding Officer

This is an introductory course for Parish Safeguarding Officers. It outlines the requirements of the role and looks specifically at the requirements of the ISA / CRB process. It will help Officers identify the areas they need to address in their own locations and how best to do that.

Wednesday 26 Sept 2pm – 5pm

Wednesday 5 Dec 10am – 1pm

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Wednesday 13 Mar 10am-1pm

Saturday 23 Mar 10am—1pm

Wednesday 12 Jun 2pm—5pm

Tuesday 24 Sept 10am—1pm

Thursday 5 Dec 2pm—5pm

General Child Protection

This day is a more in-depth look at child protection. It will help us consider our attitudes and how those might affect our practise. It will provide an overview of the main areas we need to be aware of and to keep under constant review all our work and dealings with children and young people.

Thursday 11 Oct 9.45am – 4pm

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Wednesday 13 Feb 9.45am—4pm

Wednesday 26 Jun 9.45am—4pm

Tuesday 22 Oct 9.45am—4pm

Saturday 30 Nov 9.45am—4pm

Courses for 2012 / 2013 cont.

Vulnerable Adults Day

The Church has a unique role in its involvement with vulnerable adults. We may have contact with vulnerable adults through the week by week ministry of the church, through specific activities. In many cases parish visitors will see people in their own homes and many churches have an active ministry in care homes. In many cases we may be the only independent people with whom vulnerable adults have contact. It is important that we are both aware of how to behave appropriately and signs to look out for that may indicate a person is experiencing abuse.

Monday 5 Nov 9.45am – 4pm

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Tuesday 23 Apr 9.45am—4pm

Wednesday 20 Nov 9.45am—4pm

Domestic Abuse Day

Domestic Abuse is far more prevalent than we may realise. The statistics below give some indication of this:

1 in 4 women experience physical assault by a current or former partner

Between 1 in 9 and 1 in 10 women experience domestic abuse in a year.

Every week 2 women are killed by their current or former partners.

A quarter of all violent crimes are domestic abuse.

60% of female mental health service users have experienced domestic abuse – most had no psychiatric symptoms before the violence.

3 in 5 children in every classroom have witnessed domestic abuse.

1 in 3 child protection cases show a history of domestic abuse.

There is much written in both the Christian and secular press that suggests that Christian theology and church teaching has colluded with violence against women and children.

What would you do if someone came to see you about an issue of domestic abuse?


Domestic Violence does happen today. It is perpetrated and experienced by members of our churches. The first step is to be informed.

Thursday 9 May 9.45am – 4pm

Places need to be booked in advance for all courses.

For more information and to book a place please contact Siona Jeffery 01962 737347 or siona.jeffery@winchester.anglican.org

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