

Safeguarding

News

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Dear Colleagues,

It's been a particularly busy time for our safeguarding team as, in common with all dioceses, we have been responding to the **Goddard Inquiry** in relation to all historic and current matters relating to the sexual abuse of children and young people. If there are survivors of historic abuse with whom you feel we should be in contact with **please let us know**; whatever the time frame we need to know.

The National Church has also kept us busy with other statistical demands and issuing of new guidance. Recording and **good record keeping** is one of the many areas on which we offer parishes such guidance which is available on our [website](#). Good record keeping is an important part of the safeguarding task; records should be clear, using straightforward language, be concise, and accurate so that they can be understood by anyone not familiar with the case and of course they need to be dated and signed.

Increasingly the use of advocacy services who specialise in advising in relation to particular areas of vulnerability are helpful to our work. A list of services for mainland Kent will soon be available on our webpages. If you know of others please let us know by contacting Sheila via srooke@diocant.org.

We are looking forward to our **annual safeguarding conference** again - date soon to be confirmed - but in the meantime welcome ideas from you all about what you would find most helpful to know more about or have time to discuss with others. Please contact Elaine with your ideas via elainerose1966@gmail.com.

We're really pleased to have a full staff team again and this newsletter is an opportunity to introduce you to the new (and not-so-new) faces. Many of you may still see Simon Tapp around and about the Cathedral as he remains working as their safeguarding adviser. His details remain: simontapp26@gmail.com / 01233756 314.

With thanks for all the work you do,

Lesley, Paul, Elaine, Holly & Sheila

Meet the team



Welcome, Paul!

We welcome **Paul Brightwell** as a Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser to our team. Paul comes with a wealth of experience and expertise as a senior manager and practitioner within KCC Children's Services. We are delighted that he has been able to join us and know we will be keeping him busy.

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Many of you will already have met with **Lesley Weaver** our Assistant DSA and Lead Trainer in Safeguarding. Lesley worked with the Diocese in Europe before joining us in Canterbury and she is a very experienced trainer having worked widely in this field for many years.

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