

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 26th January 2011, 1.30pm at St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Popley, Basingstoke, Hants RG24 9DX

Present Lorna Duggan (Commission Chair) (LD), Angela McGrory (AMcG), Kate Burke (KB), Margaret Muncaster (MM), Fr David Sillince (Fr DS), Paul Neary (PN) & Soraya Ciccarone (Minutes)

LD welcomed everyone to the Meeting and Father David led with a prayer

1) Apologies

Bishop Crispian and Paul O'Driscoll.

2) Minutes of Meeting held on 8th December 2010

Factual accuracy – minutes approved with the addition of a point raised by Fr Vincent Harvey that a review be set-up.

3) Matters Arising (not on Agenda)

Fr Paul Townsend will attend the NCSC workshop on Clergy Training in Oscott on 27th and 28th April.

4) DSC Report

4.1 The CSAS Website

AMcG showed the CSAS website outlining how it had been developed over the last two years and is now where policies sit. There is a link from our Safeguarding page of the Diocesan website under external links directly to this. - <https://www.csas.uk.net>

AMcG went over the procedures shown on-line in order to report abuse/an incident.

AMcG requested the Commission go through the website at leisure and please feedback to her/Lorna any points.

4.2 SafeSys

LD outlined the background to this system. This is our volunteer management system and allows each stage of the CRB process to be logged and monitored.

AMcG showed examples, showed the reports section, rep access and what is available to reps. The idea being to encourage reps to communicate via this system.

AMcG will discuss with Leo Patrick an area on SafeSys where the Commission can communicate and for the minutes to also be uploaded to.

4.3 Ongoing Cases

((Removed for reasons of confidentiality))

4.4 COC's (Covenants of Care)

AMcG reported that the COC Review meeting with PN and PO'D will take place at the same time after alternate Commission meetings.

4.5 Training

AMcG asked about the management of those volunteers who have not received awareness training and at what point should they be asked to stand down?

Presently the Diocese has delivered training to over 3500 people working with children and vulnerable adults.

Agreed with KB's suggestion that a note be placed in the Safeguarding Newsletter to raise this issue and that the end of 2011 will be the cut-off date. LD added that all reps will need to ensure that those in their parishes are made aware.

ACTION AMcG

4.6 Declaration of Children's Rights

AMcG would like a flyer to go up at the back of our parish churches next to the Safeguarding poster declaring Children's Rights. All agreed.

ACTION AMcG

5) Chair's Update

LD reported that the next National meeting will be in February and she will be attending.

LD thanked everyone for attending and the Meeting ended at 4pm

Dates of Meetings for 2011

Wednesday 23rd March @ 1.30pm – St Bedes, Basingstoke

Wednesday 25th May @ 1.30pm – St Bedes, Basingstoke

Wednesday 13th July (To attend Bishops Council Meeting) – Basingstoke

Wednesday 21st September @ 1.30pm – St Bedes, Basingstoke

Wednesday 16th November @ 1.30pm- St Bedes, Basingstoke