



Safeguarding Newsletter

Newcastle District and Darlington District

Welcome to our January Newsletter. This is the place to find the latest information about safeguarding in the region.

1. Get in touch with Carolyn and Rachel, your Regional Officers for Safeguarding

Carolyn and Rachel have slightly new roles and email addresses, but we are still here to support the Darlington and Newcastle districts as usual!

Carolyn and Rachel have new email addresses. Make sure you update them on your safeguarding Policy, and Safeguarding Contacts posters!



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Please get in touch!

Contact us about safeguarding concerns or questions! We'd much rather be contacted about a worry that turns out to be nothing than not contacted about a worry that turns out to be something. We work part time, but if you leave a message, we will get back to you when we can.

Don't try and muddle through with something on your own- safeguarding is better when we work as a team.

2. Give your Safeguarding Notice Board a make over!

Your Church Notice board needs the most recent version of their safeguarding policy, as well as the contact details for the Church and Circuit safeguarding Officers, and Rachel and Carolyn's contact details. Here are some posters too!



There are four posters that we love to see on all Church notice boards! You can find links to them on the [Guidance, Policies, and Posters](#) page in the Safeguarding sections of the Darlington and Newcastle District websites.

Don't forget! There are new version of the model safeguarding policies, which you can find on the [Safeguarding- Policies and Guidance](#) section of the Methodist Church Website.

Next time you renew your safeguarding policy, make sure you use the latest version.

3. Safeguarding Training

You can now refresh your Foundation Module online as E-Learning package! We encourage everyone to refresh their Foundation training every four years, because learning from cases in our districts shows that we need reminding of the 'basics' which the Foundation covers, but aren't covered in the Advanced.

Foundation E-Learning Refresher

If you have done your Foundation Module before, you can do it online, as training course that you work through your own pace, whenever you like!

To enrol, click [here](#), scan the QR code, or go on the page in the Training page on the Safeguarding sections of the Darlington and Newcastle District websites.



How else can I do my training?

To find out dates and times for Foundation and Advanced Module training, both in person and online, have a look at the Look at the '[When is the next training?](#)' page on the the safeguarding section of the Darlington and Newcastle Districts websites, or scan the QR code.



4. Safeguarding and The Traitors!

Rachel wrote a popular article about what The Traitors can teach us about power, grooming, and who we listen to, and how reflecting on this can make us better at safeguarding. Have a read!

"Oh Alan!" What The Celebrity Traitors can teach the faithful about creating safer spaces



To Read, click [here](#) scan the QR code, or google 'Methodist Church Traitors'



"The question of how Alan Carr pulled off his victory is bouncing around the internet. Celia Imrie summed it up perfectly in a post-show interview; "You just think why didn't I see that - it's ridiculous you know but everyone was very good at covering up". As I mulled this over, it dawned upon me that this quote could have been taken from any number of cases in the Methodist Church's Past Cases Review."

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