

SAFEGUARDING REPORT APCM 2021

During the past year the main focus of safeguarding has been the on-going recruitment of volunteers to support the work of Carillon Cottage during the COVID pandemic.

The Diocese has made some changes to the training modules there are now 3 clear levels:

Basic Awareness

Foundation

Leadership

The advice is for all volunteers to be encouraged to complete the Basic awareness and Foundation level training.

The training has been accessed on-line which has made fulfilling the requirements easier for volunteers and members of the church team.

As restrictions are lifting, conversations are being had about the Church's groups' ability to be able to meet again. Safeguarding will support those groups with new risk assessments and ensuring volunteers have current DBS checks, the volunteers training is at the required level and the venues are safe for the relevant age group.

First Aid requirements will need to be considered in the opening up of groups. Most groups are able to identify on the risk assessment an appointed person – who will be responsible for calling emergency services if needed. The children's groups may be required to have a qualified First Aider present at the group depending on where this group meets and the activities it provides.

Please contact Lesley Wardrop - lesleyiw982@gmail.com and/or Penny Dobson – dobbop@btinternet.com for advice and current information regarding recruitment and safeguarding requirements.

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