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Diocesan Safeguarding Team Newsletter

Welcome to the Safeguarding Newsletter from the team here at the Diocese of Coventry. These newsletters will keep you up to date with the latest news, advice and information about safeguarding and support for our communities.



Diocesan Safeguarding Team Contact Details

Phone number: 024 7652 1345

Email: safeguarding@covcofe.org

Website: www.coventry.anglican.org/safeguarding

The Safeguarding office will be closed between
24th December - 4th January.

For advice or to report a concern during this time please call
024 7652 1345

This will direct you to our out-of-hours service which is provided by 31:8

Funding Secured for EU & EEA Coventry Residents

The Migration Team at Coventry City Council, in partnership with Coventry Law Centre, has secured funding to deliver the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) to support vulnerable EEA citizens to make an application for settled or pre-settled status. For those who *don't* make an application, new rules include a points-based immigration system or a possible No Recourse to Public Funds restriction.



There may be members of your congregation who have settled status and may appreciate some support from this scheme.

To download a poster to display in your church building please click - [**EUSS POSTER**](#)

For a FAQ poster please click - [**EUSS FAQs**](#)

Contact can be made with the service by using the email and number below

Email: CoventryEUSS@coventry.gov.uk

Telephone (Weds and Fridays): 07507 726 526



Barnardo's has launched a vital new support service to offer support to Black, Asian and minority ethnic children, young people and their families.

The new service is a free telephone helpline and web chat facility for children, young people and families from these communities who are experiencing the long-lasting and wide-ranging impact of Covid-19. It will provide on-going support on a complex range of issues including mental health, bereavement, family break-down, neglect, back to school, parenting advice, counselling, family stress, discrimination, barriers to services and more.

You can find out more about the new helpline here: helpline.barnardos.org.uk/helpline



The police have launched a new safeguarding website www.actearly.uk aimed at family and friends to encourage them to share concerns that a friend or loved one might be vulnerable to radicalisation.

Research shows that Family and friends are best placed to spot the signs that someone might be vulnerable to radicalisation. We want them to *ACT* early so their vulnerable friend or loved one can get the support they need before the situation escalates into something more serious. This campaign is even more important than ever in the current pandemic climate where we have seen a decline in Prevent referrals during lockdown.

Safeguarding Training Updates

As before, in order to access the basic (**C0**) and foundation (**C1**) safeguarding courses for yourself or those in your parish, please visit safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org

However, we are excited to announce that we have begun to deliver the new virtual **C2 Leadership Safeguarding Training** via zoom. So far this course has only been offered to clergy whose training needed refreshing, but once the course dates for 2021 are finalised we will open up booking to Readers, those with PTO and PSOs.

We will be offering this course to other church roles in a staggered way, so if you have

Churchwardens etc. who need to take this course we will let you know when this is available for them.

TIER 3 - BUT WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

The Positive Youth Foundation have created a very helpful Covid-19 Tier 3 poster which has been designed by young people, for young people in relation to the latest guidelines. If you would like to download the A4 sized poster please click the link below -

[Tier 3 Poster](#)

Alternatively please email sophie.hawtin@coventry.anglican.org to be forwarded a copy of this poster in an email.



THANK YOU AND MERRY CHRISTMAS

Thank you for the work that you are doing in your parishes are doing around safeguarding in these difficult times. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and peaceful new year!

The Safeguarding Team

