Safeguarding News August 2023

# The Methodist Church

## East Anglia

With a lot of upcoming safeguarding opportunities to promote I will keep things short, only to say during what has been a busy summer it has been great to continue to meet many different people, and I thank everyone that continues to give their time to promote the importance of safeguarding and work so hard to keep everyone safe. You support is truly valued. Please continue to keep safeguarding at the top of your churches agenda.

With best wishes, Neil

#### **Date for your Diary**

14 September 2023 – 'Trauma and the Impact on survivors' webinar (via Zoom)

Thursday 14 September 2023 | 11.00 am - 12.30 pm | Zoom webinar | Advanced booking is essential:

Book now on Zoom: <u>Trauma and the Impact on</u> <u>Survivors Webinar</u>

This webinar will be with Caterina O'Connor, from the Catholic Archdiocese of Glasgow. Further details above

### Policy Updates and changes to the Policies and Guidance webpage

Safeguarding Policy and Procedures for the Methodist Church in Britain July 2023. Following agreement at the recent Safeguarding Committee meeting, there is a new edition of the Safeguarding policy and procedures document.

#### https://www.methodist.org.uk/media/30182/safeguarding policy and procedures for the methodist church inbritain july 2023.pdf

Committee members also requested an 'Executive Summary' of the most salient sections of the policy to further aid ease of access. This 10 page summary sets out the policy position of the Church and expected standards of behaviour while working with children, young people and vulnerable adults. <u>Executive summary</u>

Advanced Module Training Opportunities

We have had a large demand for Advanced training courses recently and as such we have added some further online dates now that the new MCBX system has gone live;

Thursday, 12th October 2023 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Tuesday, 7th November 2023 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

A short notice additional Face to Face foundation course at North Lynn MC has also become available to book Saturday, 12th August 2023, North Lynn, 10:00 am - 12:45 pm Book here: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/679298087867</u>

#### Safeguarding Sunday 2023 – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November What is it all about?

Safeguarding Sunday is a safeguarding awareness raising campaign for churches run by the charity Thirtyone:eight. Each November, thousands of churches from diverse backgrounds and traditions across the UK come together to reflect on their own safeguarding journey, and to highlight and celebrate all the good work that is being done by so many behind the scenes to protect vulnerable people.

Further resources will follow in the coming months as we build into November

