

Diocesan Safeguarding Panel

SAP 23/13a

For our SAP May meeting, colleagues will see that there is a new Quality Assurance Framework and Brett will lead us through a consultation discussion so we can feed in to the national conversation. We have therefore not added too much detail and rag rating onto our current working plans that continue on a day to day basis. The plan is that will take the QAF and the supporting spreadsheet to track evidence and gather information and map our plans into this so rather than duplicate we are navigating the two processes currently! By the September SAP we will be able to present a much clearer one document for discussion, participation, and scrutiny.

JK/BR May 2023

Progress report - operational responses/management/day to day 2023

This activity sheet spans 2023 and updates our day to day plans, it sets out our spotlight activities and areas of activity and priority for 2023 as agreed by the SAP in November 2022; it became a more flexible and organic document as we entered the Pathfinder processes, so enables us to keep track of the day to day, our core values and casework model approaches, as well as our agility in responding to changing needs.

The safeguarding strategy statement and commitment for the Diocese of Gloucester: We will do all we can to ensure that our worshipping communities offer the safest places for children and vulnerable people.

We will do this by:

- Ensuring we comply with legislation, regulation, and have regard for national church guidance and House of Bishops' policy and practice guidance.
- Offering best practice, professional advice, guidance and support to our churches, clergy and safeguarding volunteers to enable them to develop and champion positive safeguarding cultures, and to grow in safeguarding capacity and confidence.
- Ensuring best practice professional guidance and advice on HR policies and processes as they relate to safeguarding (including safer recruitment, volunteer management, capability, disciplinary, training etc).
- Supporting survivors and victims of abuse.
- Working with/in partnerships and networks with statutory bodies and other voluntary organisations.

2023 overview

No	Priority tasks/elements	Content/outcomes		Timing/leads and SAP engagement/review/ reporting
I	SAP Ensure SAP is adequately resourced and appointed to	Follow up recommended people to approach Identify where new members may come from (linked to ongoing SAP review of partnerships and networks)	February Ongoing	JK ongoing with D-IT
		Identify any needs for sub groups/task or finish groups	Ongoing	
		Annual review of Terms of Reference Annual review of SAP for 2023	November 23 November 23	

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SAP / and Governance	Reporting at Diocesan Synod	February (annual, completed)	JK/DIT
	Capacity and resourcing discussion	September 2023	
	This will move to February 2024 in line with		JK
	Pathfinder developments in preparation for the summer	February 2024	
	Check S/G on Audit Committee	Tbc for 2023	JK
	Check S/G on Resources Committee	Tbc for 2023	JK
	Opportunities for SAP engagement and participation	Ongoing	
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Reporting to BST and Chapter	Monthly	JK

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3	Safer Recruitment and People Management	Pathway module training linked to national resources in E-manual	Ongoing	BF/JK
		Development of training module to include wider HR resources	Linked to HR plan for February 2024	JK/AC/BF
		Some templates on line some templates bespoke with PCCs as appropriate		
		DBS 5yr to 3yr programme	KP ongoing Will be completed by Xmas	

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4	Quality casework	Reports to SAP	BR ongoing	Supervision is @6weekly
		Annual meeting at BST	BR	
		Regular meetings with +Rachel	BR	
		Pathfinder external supervision	BR	
		Supervision for Asst DSA arrangements	BR	
		Change to DSO and Asst DSO processes	JK /BST	
		Review of diocesan model of casework support and	JK and team	
		any additional resource/capacity etc needed	completed	
		Ending arrangements for Lamplight /transfer records	BR/MB	
		arrangements for My Concern	Summer 2023	
		Key lead for Police networks/partnership work	BR	
		Key lead for working with LADO	BR/MB	
		Quality Assurance framework	JK with the dept	
		National statistics	BR/MB	
		Agreement review timetable	BR/MB	
		Blemished DBS	BR/MB/BF	
		Reporting Serious Incidents	BR with JK	

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5	Training and learning	Implementation of 3yt training strategy	BF ongoing	
		And annual calendar of events		
		Recruitment and support of Link People		Ongoing within our three year
		Recruitment and support of Support People		strategy
		Sign off for DSA exemptions		
		Develop bank of trainers (diocesan wide and deanery		
		focus)		
		Develop consultancy bank of trainer specialists		
		Shared resources, templates etc and comms		
		Review evaluation quality as evidence of culture		
		change		
		Cathedral support		
		- Training		
		- Working group		
		PSO development programme		
		Website up dates for new dates and logistics		
		Comms strategy newsletters and bulletins		
		BMO and pioneering support		
		National and regional training network opportunities		
		Working with designated partnerships/networks		
		Key lead for partnership/networking with GDASS,		
		_ other		
		Clewer lead		
		MHFA lead		
		Dashboard and Dashboard pilot developments		
		PCC compliance and administration		
		National SCIE/other audit arrangements with PSOs		
		and parishes		
		Media promotion of events eg Safeguarding Sunday		

	Plan for 3yr training strategy review in 2024 for 2025	JK with BF in February 2024	
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6	Support focus for survivors of abuse	Working with national developments for a Survivor support strategy	BR/MB - ongoing	
		Development of Diocesan Responding Well		
		Links to Support and Link people		
		Support for individuals	1:1 colleagues as	
			appropriate	
		Links to national initiatives eg Safe Spaces		
		Checking that our resources and comms have survivor voice/participation		
		Develop resources page on line with signpost info/resources		

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7	People and Safeguarding Team	SAP arrangements (inc membership) Independent Chair rels and SAP planning Management of Cathedral SLA Management of Sportily SLA Sign off on BMOs for safeguarding capacity Sign off for applications to LDF for HR and S/G governance Team support, I:Is appraisals, objectives and support Budget management Capacity and resources overview BST reporting Annual and appropriate governance reporting BC/Resources/Audit Committees Lead for GCC partnership/network People System, clergy / register National and regional networks Pathfinder diocese and Board HR and safeguarding Team development and cpd Overview of partnerships/networks plans/strategy Senior L'ship follow up Into incumbency overview Curate overview Project manager for new audit process (other)	JK ongoing	