



Review of Safeguarding Practice

Update: 28th Dec 2016

Church body: Prelature of Opus Dei (Tranche 10)

Recommendation	Action- Progress
1. The Regional Vicar should consult with the NBSCCCI in relation to the child safeguarding training needs of the Prelature and use of Brosna sourced training.	<p>IMPLEMENTED</p> <p>All of the priests of the Prelature in active service attended a training day provided by NBSCCCI trainers on Monday 16th May at 11:00 pm in Cleraun Study Centre, 90 Fosters Avenue, Dublin.</p> <p>A new program of training will be arranged for 2017 to focus on persons with special CS responsibilities in the Prelature.</p>
2. The Vicar General should draw up written terms of reference for an Advisory Panel, to establish that it has a different function from that of the Safeguarding Committee.	<p>IMPLEMENTED</p> <p>The Regional Vicar has adopted revised terms of reference for an Advisory Panel (on a standby basis, as we have no actual cases) and for the Child Safeguarding Committee to more clearly distinguish their functions and membership. These criteria will be implemented as part of the 2017 Child Safeguarding Policy of the Prelature (adapting the NBSCCCI 2016 Standards and Guidance) which is at an advanced stage of development, due for completion in Q1 of 2017.</p>
3. The Regional Vicar should consolidate the functioning of the Safeguarding Committee by:—	
3A. Clarifying its terms of reference, drawing on NBSCCCI guidance	<p>IMPLEMENTED</p> <p>See no. 2 above</p>
3B. Developing a strategic safeguarding plan for the Prelature, to be implemented and monitored by the Committee	<p>IN PROGRESS</p> <p>A three-year strategic safeguarding plan is being developed to implement and monitor the revised measures identified in the 2017 Child Safeguarding Policy of the Prelature (adapting the NBSCCCI 2016 Standards and Guidance) which is at an advanced stage of development and due for completion in Q1 of 2017.</p>
3C. Seeking agreement with the other entities associated with the Prelature for the Safeguarding Committee to regularly scan the network for safeguarding issues.	<p>IMPLEMENTED / IN PROGRESS</p> <p>The Regional Vicar has made CS liaison agreements with the entities most closely associated with the Prelature. These are currently being revised with a view to having similar procedures, a vetting agency agreement and sharing vetting and personal information by consent. The Safeguarding Committee will strengthen its contacts with the wider network of related entities in Q1 of 2017.</p>