

Announcement

Safeguarding

On Easter Monday I was elected to a new post of Safeguarding Officer. It was not a post with a job description or terms of reference and my time so far has been spent in deciding what the job should cover, what needs doing, who needs to do it and how the job fits with the other Association Officer posts.

I am convinced that this is important work and will try to raise the profile of it. Sadly I have learned that there are 2 ongoing recent cases in the Association where danger to young people has occurred. The Diocese have advised Tower captains in the Taunton Branch the arrangements agreed with the Police about what they should do in the case of one individual. The second case is still in the hands of the Police and more will be learned in November. Any Tower captain who feels the need to know of more detail should contact me directly.

This has not been a small task and it is not finished yet. You will find on the website a paper dated 12 November 2015 which sets out what I think the Safeguarding Officer role should be and some of the things that we as an Association need to do. Please read it! I would be really grateful for your comments. This is a new post and this is your opportunity to have a say in how it should be shaped.

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