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Dear Church Secretary

**Re: Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Training Session**

I'm writing to tell you about two Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups training sessions that have been organised by the Mid Wales and Border Presbytery. I enclose a poster with the details.

Both sessions are on **Tuesday 19th February 2019** and the content is the same in both sessions so you can choose the time / location that suits you best.

Afternoon session: **CHRIST CHURCH OSWESTRY, SY11 1JN** **2 - 4.30 pm**

Evening session: **PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL ROOM, CAERSWS SY7 5ER** **6.30 - 9pm**

I would be grateful if you could you inform your Sunday school teachers and helpers, children and youth volunteers, pastoral visitors and trustees about this training session.

**Safeguarding training is essential for all those working directly with children, young people or vulnerable adults in the church and also those responsible for the work with vulnerable groups e.g. elders**

The aims of the session are as follows:

- 1. To gain an understanding of the content and purpose of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Handbook which is the policy of the Presbyterian Church of Wales.*
- 2. To understand the importance of creating a safe atmosphere through safer recruitment and good working practice.*
- 3. To know how to respond to concerns about children and vulnerable adults.*

Please ensure that the relevant people attend so that you, as a church, can be confident that you are working in line with your Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Policy and best practice and that all are aware how to respond if they have any concerns about an individual or situation. This training session will also help you to comply with Charities Commission guidelines and many insurance policies. This is an English language session.

There is no need to book a place but please contact me if you would like any more information regarding this session or other safeguarding matters.

Many thanks for your help in promoting this event.

Kind regards



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