

## Safeguarding children & young people: support for assessment

Self-assessment is a good opportunity to understand how effective your organisations/groups are at safeguarding children and young people. These self-assessment and audit tools will give you assurance around your safeguarding practice. Below are some useful tools:

1. Local Safeguarding Children Board safeguarding toolkit is available on our website <http://www.bflscb.org.uk/informationforprofessionals.htm> or by emailing [andrew.ellery@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.ellery@bracknell-forest.gov.uk). This is a particularly good tool for medium-large organisations or churches running a number of services.
2. Sports groups can gain lots of information from the Child Protection in Sports Unit. Their web address is <https://thecpsu.org.uk/>. They also have a safeguarding self-assessment tool. The self-assessment can be found here <https://thecpsu.org.uk/self-assessment-tool/>.
3. For smaller community groups Safe Networks have a safeguarding self-assessment that people can access from this link and by registering at [http://www.safenetwork.org.uk/resources/safe\\_network\\_standards/self\\_assessment\\_tool/pages/default.aspx](http://www.safenetwork.org.uk/resources/safe_network_standards/self_assessment_tool/pages/default.aspx).

For added support, Andrew Ellery from the Local Safeguarding Children Board can meet with you individually to help you identify an appropriate tool from the above list, and also to support you with completing it. Andrew can meet either face to face or arrange a chat via telephone. Alternatively email him on [andrew.ellery@bracknell-forest.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.ellery@bracknell-forest.gov.uk). Completed self-assessments can also be submitted, via email to Andrew, to a multi-agency panel for additional feedback/guidance.

### Training

The Local Safeguarding Children Board has an online training course about Child Sexual Exploitation which we highly recommend. You can access this using the following details:

Website: [www.kwango.com](http://www.kwango.com)

Username: Bracknellcse

Password: Bracknellcse6

There is also a Child Sexual Exploitation Targeted training Course available for anyone working directly with children and young people in Bracknell who may be experiencing or at risk of Child Sexual Exploitation. It is currently free, but with a £30 non-attendance fee. This is a 3 hour course. The next available date is 17th September 2014 9:30-12:30. To book a place please contact email [CorpServ.Training@Bracknell-Forest.gov.uk](mailto:CorpServ.Training@Bracknell-Forest.gov.uk).

Please do visit the Local Safeguarding Children Board website at [www.bflscb.org.uk](http://www.bflscb.org.uk) where you'll find a Domestic Abuse newsletter, our Spring 2014 newsletter (includes information about allegations against staff and volunteers).

For the up-to-date Berkshire Child Protection procedures please visit <http://berks.proceduresonline.com/index.htm>