



Anglican Diocese of Newcastle

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Re: Risk Management of Persons of Concern

Dear Clergy and Diocesan Leaders,

Recently the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle renewed its public liability insurance policy. The insurer, ANSVAR, has made amendments to the policy that now require appropriate identification and risk management of 'persons of concern'.

Protocols for identifying and managing persons of concern have been adopted from guidelines published by the General Synod Office, please find a copy of those guidelines attached for your information, please take the time to read and understand these guidelines as they will be implemented over the coming months.

If you are aware of a 'person of concern' who is currently active within your parish or area then you must notify me of that person and their activities immediately.

If I identify a 'person of concern' who is active within your parish or area that is not being managed under this protocol then I will write to notify you and outline the processes to be followed.

Please note that;

a) Should the person of concern decline to formally enter into the memorandum of understanding then relevant risk management strategies will still be put in place with or without their consent.

b) If your parish fails to meet the requirements of the insurer by failing to appropriately identify and manage any persons of concern then the parish will void aspects of the Diocesan Public Liability insurance policy and therefore not be covered in the event of a related claim.

If you wish to discuss this matter please contact me.

Yours Sincerely

Michael Elliott

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