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Mrs Jean Sanders

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Dear Jean

Greetings and Peace.

Thank you for your letter and for raising the particular question with us regarding the ~~screening~~
of a musician.

The real difficulty I have in this matter is that natural justice must prevail and while the document has gone through for screening after being duly signed, if, at the end of the day, the process does not hinder the person from taking a further part in the services of the Church all I can do is to alert the Priest concerned, which has already been done, regarding our duty of care and to see that all necessary steps are taken so that the particular role that this person plays does not become a hindrance or an avenue for abuse.

It would be good to get Robert Caddies advice on this matter as advising the Priest in writing could make me liable for defamation. This is a tough one -- help !!

With every blessing

Yours sincerely

The Right Reverend Roger Horft
Bishop of Newcastle

c.c. Robert Caddies
incoming & outgoing tone