



## REPORT TO THE SCOUTSAFE COMMITTEE MARCH

Item 501 Report on meeting with Virginia Neighbour  
*Director Operations 'Commission for Children & Young People'*

Bob Baker and Warwick Bateman met with Virginia Neighbour, *Director Operations 'Commission for Children & Young People'*, and two of her senior managers to discuss our child protection procedures.

The intention of the visit was to once again obtain the approval of the Commission for our procedures, but not in a more formal way.

Bob Presented a copy of an 'Overview of Child Protection' and explained its position within the Scouts NSW structure and policies. Warwick Bateman then briefly took them through each of the sections. (see attachment for a 7 page abridged version).

They were also exposed to our 30 plus Leaders Support Guides and Leaders News on the Web.

They will assess the material in light of some newer changes that are in the process of being introduced, in this way ensure Scouts NSW is not just a little ahead but completely up to date and continue to be ahead in the future

Note: Mrs Neighbour's son [REDACTED] hence we were regaled with stories of how wonderful Venturers are and the delights her son has had from membership, and her hopes he will continue into Rovers.

Bob Baker & Warwick Bateman  
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Warwick Bateman