

## **SAFEGUARDING – JLC “Safeguarding Station” Key information and FAQs**

### **Key Mother's Union Safeguarding Personnel**

Deena Patel - Central Charity (MSH) Safeguarding and Procedures Lead for Britain and Ireland

Stephanie Nunn - Central Charity (MSH) Director of Membership

### **Board's Safeguarding Committee - in operation**

- Liz Gailer – Chair
- Lena Edmondson – Regional Parenting Trainer
- Julia Jamieson – (B&I)
- Rev. K. Ann Wren – (B&I)
- Estelle Dibo
- Rev. Mercy Wanjiru

### **Safeguarding Community of Interest (COI)**

The Safeguarding COI is to be made up of the Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) from each Diocese.

### **Current Training Programmes**

1. Core Safeguarding Training
2. Trustee Safeguarding Training
3. Designated Safeguarding Lead Training
4. AFIA Safeguarding Training
5. Central Charity Staff Safeguarding Training

## **Key Safeguarding Policies, Procedures and Guidelines**

1. Mother's Union Safeguarding Policies and Procedures 2024 (next review July 2026)
2. AFIA Safeguarding Guidelines

## **Upcoming Safeguarding Projects**

1. Collaborating with the Communications Team to improve the Safeguarding tab on the MU website.
2. Developing a recorded Core Safeguarding Training session for easier access.

## **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

### **Q1. Where can I find the Mothers' Union Safeguarding Policy and Procedures?**

- A. The Mothers' Union Safeguarding Policy and Procedures 2024 can be found on the website under "My Story" and then "Safeguarding" tab.

### **Q2. Does the Church of England (CofE) DBS work for MU or does a separate one have to be applied for?**

- A. Should it be assumed that CofE have applied for the update DBS service, then the DBS check is acceptable for MU. All DBS checks must be valid and up to date.

### **Q3. Is MU Safeguarding Training mandatory if Church of England (CofE) safeguarding training has been completed?**

- A. Yes, MU Core Safeguarding Training is mandatory even if CofE safeguarding training has been completed. Under the Charity Commission regulations, MU is required to have its own Safeguarding Policy & Procedures, as well as providing specific Safeguarding Training. MU is responsible for dealing with any safeguarding concerns arising in

the course of our programmes and activities. The purpose of the Core Safeguarding Training is to familiarise attendees with the content of the Policy and the Procedures in the Appendices, and to work through case studies, exploring issues that may arise.

**Q4. How long does the MU Core Safeguarding Training last?**

A. Two years.

**Q5. Who do I contact for any safeguarding related issues?**

A. For all Britain and Ireland Safeguarding issues, please contact Deena Patel, Safeguarding and Procedures Lead at [safeguarding@mothersunion.org](mailto:safeguarding@mothersunion.org).

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