

October 2023

www.ecb.co.uk/safeguarding

Welcome to the October update from the ECB Safeguarding Team

With the season coming to end, we have produced this update to keep you informed and provide some useful information, to update you on the progress of existing projects and recent changes to the ECB Safeguarding Team.

- Low Level Concerns
- Safe Hands Guidance
- DBS requirements for Scorers
- Your DBS Q&A's
- Safer Recruitment Training Questionnaire
- Safeguarding Conference
- Safeguarding Courses
- Keeping Children Safe
- Lucy Faithful Initiative
- ECB Safeguarding Team staff changes



Low Level Concerns

You will be aware following the email sent out earlier this week that we are now in position to roll out the interim solution to capture a game wide view of low-level concerns.

Invites have now gone out, inviting CSO's onto a Teams call where further information and an overview of the system will be provided. You will also have an opportunity to ask questions. This call will be recorded and sent out to anyone who is not available to join the call. Please get in touch if you are on leave and would prefer to join a call on one of the other dates.

12th October @11:00 London and East
19th October @11:00 South West and Wales
26th October @ 11:00 North

Following this call, you will receive a link to access your Smartsheet workspace so you can get started. A copy of the County Low-Level Concerns Policy will also be provided, which has been created as a template for Cricket Organisations.

Safeguarding News

ECB Safeguarding Team Updates



October 2023

www.ecb.co.uk/safeguarding

Safe Hands Guidance

Since the start of the season the ECB Safeguarding Team have been reviewing and updating Safe Hands Policy, Guidance and Templates such as Club Safeguarding Policy, Social Media Guidance and Supervision Ratios.

Confirmation will be sent out once all these documents are available to view and download from the ECB website. This will be in time to allow Clubs to adopt them at their AGM's, we anticipate these to be available during November 2023.

DBS requirements for Scorers

Currently the ECB Safeguarding and Officiating Teams are reviewing the role of Scorer against the requirements of DBS.

Considering the role definition and the legal definition of regulated activity, the ECB will be making a policy decision on the DBS requirements in scoring in early 2024. We are being supported by an internal and external working group which will provide clarity in the months ahead. This update is not being shared beyond the county network until such time as decisions have been made.



Any changes will be shared firstly with the county network before being shared widely across the game well ahead of season 2024.

Your DBS Q&A's

Thank you for submitting all of your DBS queries. Elaine Jarrett, Customer Support Manager will be creating a video to answer your questions and this will then be shared with you.

Look out for this in the coming weeks!!

Safer Recruitment Training Questionnaire



We have created a short questionnaire to better understand how many County Safeguarding Officers have undertaken Safer Recruitment training with the NSPCC. We would appreciate your support in doing this by completing this short form.

<https://forms.office.com/e/ZwC6KdRTcf>

Responses required by Friday 13th October

Safeguarding News

ECB Safeguarding Team Updates



October 2023

www.ecb.co.uk/safeguarding

ECB Safeguarding Conference 2024

We are starting to plan our annual Safeguarding Conference. The format is likely to be slightly different this year so look out for further information in the coming weeks and months.

Please expect a save the date during the first 2 weeks of February.

ECB Safeguarding Courses

It has come to our attention that a few county websites (example below) are stating that the new safeguarding courses which carry a 3-year accreditation period can be completed at any time before the accreditation expiry by way of a refresher:

“I already have an SYC and I am not due yet, can I complete the course anyway? – Yes, Doing so will reset your compliance and you won’t need to complete this course again for another 3 years”

Please note, the above example is incorrect, and the course can only be completed by way of a refresher, 1 month before it is due to expire. We kindly ask that you amend your websites to reflect this.

Should you have any questions / concerns over this, please contact elearning@ecb.co.uk for further clarification.

Keeping Children Safe

Keeping Your Child Safe in Sport focus week is now taking place so we’re pleased to share the full media toolkit for promoting the campaign with you.

You can access the toolkit and download all of the assets [here](#).

Please feel free to tag any activity on social media with @TheCPSU and @NSPCC and by using the hashtag #SafeinSport.

If you have any questions about the campaign or getting involved, please email cpsu@nspcc.org.uk.



Lucy Faithful initiative



Lucy Faithfull have launched a young people's version of their Stop it Now resource. Please check it out and feel free to share across your organisation and with your club network.

<https://shorespace.org.uk>

Safeguarding News

ECB Safeguarding Team Updates



October 2023

www.ecb.co.uk/safeguarding

Helen Jones – County Safeguarding Advisor – Full Time

We are pleased to announce that Helen Jones has been appointed as a County Safeguarding Advisor to replace Victoria Wiegleb who has moved into her Safeguarding Manager role.

Helen has been involved in Safeguarding in cricket for 13 years at Lincolnshire Cricket so understands the issues and challenges encountered at grassroots level. She was also a chair of Governors and Safeguarding lead for 12 years at a local Primary School.

Alongside being a Safe Hands Tutor, she is also a qualified Mental Health First Aid Tutor, something she is extremely passionate about.

Helen has 2 children, a daughter aged 22yrs and a 17yr old son. Whilst they were growing up, alongside her voluntary CSO role, she was able to fulfil a childhood dream by opening and running her Club own Dance and Performing Arts School which is still going strong today.

Fun fact – Before turning professional in the dance world, Helen used to compete in various genres across the UK and into Europe. Her last ever competition was ‘Miss Dance 1990’, a Freestyle Competition where she was placed 3rd – she requests that you don’t ask her to demonstrate the ‘splits’ now as she doesn’t think she will be able to get back up again!!



Fiona Holden – County Safeguarding Advisor – Fixed Term Contract

We are also pleased to announce that Fiona Holden joins us from Durham Cricket to cover Ashleigh Scott’s maternity leave.

Fiona has worked as County Safeguarding Officer for Durham Cricket, across both the recreational County Board and the professional First Class County Club set up.

Prior to joining Durham Cricket, Fiona worked for England Netball where her work focus was national programmes, club development, governance and safeguarding.

Fun fact - Fiona is an avid netballer - playing, coaching and officiating for her “Back to Netball” club that offers social netball to over 70 women each week.

Safeguarding News

ECB Safeguarding Team Updates



October 2023

www.ecb.co.uk/safeguarding

Maternity Leave

Ashleigh Scott commences her maternity leave from 9th October.

We are sure you will join us in sending her our very best wishes to her and partner, Charlie, for the birth of their first child.



Contact the ECB Safeguarding Team
safeguarding@ecb.co.uk

ECB Safeguarding Referral Form
<https://www.ecb.co.uk/about/policies/safeguarding/share-a-concern>