

STANDARD 7

QUALITY ASSURING COMPLIANCE WITH THE STANDARDS GUIDANCE FOR INDICATOR 7.1

7.1D Guidance on the Annual Report Made by DLP to the Church Authority (Indicators Contained in Table 1 and 2 of the Child Safeguarding Policy)

One of the primary methods (alongside the local safeguarding audit Guidance 7.1C) of ensuring compliance with the seven safeguarding standards is by means of an annual report written by the DLP on Standards 2, 3 and 4. Each of these standards contains a list of indicators, which give details of the steps that a Church organisation needs to take to meet the standard, and advises on ways to provide evidence that the standard has been met.

Process

1. The DLP, or a person appointed by the Church authority, will analyse all allegations and case files that have been reported within the year, using 7.1D Template 1 as a guide.
2. An annual report is prepared for the Church authority, with a review of compliance and recommendations for further action and improvement.
3. Recommendations for change are incorporated into the three-year child safeguarding plan, if appropriate (7.2A Template 1).
4. All documents produced will be in compliance with data protection requirements.