



5<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Dear Congregation Leader

**Re: Supporting Safeguarding for the Religious**

As you are aware COR, CBCEW and the NCSC have proposed moving to a "One Church" approach for safeguarding for both the dioceses and the religious. Thank you for the information you have already supplied regarding your ministries both current and historical.

Once developed and implemented all religious congregations will either have their own Safeguarding Commission, singly, as currently is the case with the Jesuits, or jointly with ones of a similar charism; or will be aligned with a Safeguarding Commission located within a diocese. The former option is likely to only affect those large orders with extensive involvement in either Care Homes or Education. It is hoped that the new arrangements will be fully in place by the end of 2012.

We are writing to you now to ask for your preference as to which Safeguarding Commission you would wish to align your Order for safeguarding support.

There are a number of factors which you might wish to consider in stating your preference for which Safeguarding commission would be most suitable for your Congregation to be aligned with. These include:

- Where your main or mother house is situated.
- Where your Safeguarding Rep/Coordinator resides or has links already.
- Where you already have historical safeguarding links.
- As the sole diocese in which your Congregation has presence.

We would encourage you to discuss this with your Safeguarding Rep and complete the attached form and return to [admin@csas.uk.net](mailto:admin@csas.uk.net) by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2012.

**If you do not respond we will assume you have no preference and we will allocate accordingly.**

You need to do no more at this stage. We are arranging consultation events for late January and early February and you will receive further information about alignment at that time (please see enclosed/attached flyer).

With thanks for your consideration and assistance.

Yours sincerely

**Adrian Child**  
**CSAS Director**



## **Supporting Safeguarding for the Religious**

1. Congregation/Order Name:

2. Congregation Leader Name:

3. Congregation Leader Postal Address:

4. Preferred Safeguarding Commission: (A list of dioceses is attached.)

If you wish to have your own Commission please state the reasons below under 'Other reasons'.

5. Reason for Preference:

	Please tick <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Location of main house:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Existing safeguarding links:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Only resides in this diocese:	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other reasons – please state:



## **List of Dioceses**

Arundel and Brighton

Birmingham

Brentwood

Cardiff

Clifton

East Anglia

Hallam

Hexham and Newcastle

Lancaster

Leeds

Liverpool

Menevia

Middlesbrough

Northampton

Nottingham

Plymouth

Portsmouth

Salford

Shrewsbury

Southwark

Westminster

Wrexham