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REGIONAL SAFEGUARDING REPORT JANUARY 2025

Hello folks! Boro Da! I hope you have all had an excellent and happy start to the year.

**Safeguarding Survey** I have had only one survey report to date so am unable to report back. Email me if you are struggling with it.

**WOMENS PHYSICAL SAFETY INFORMATION CARDS** information tools have been developed by the Women’s Safety Group that will help clubs and their local partnerships signpost people to preventative resources and support. They are the size of business cards and cost 2p each if you order more than 1,500 from Vistaprint. They are accompanied by a power point presentation and available in pdf format at [Soroptimist Safety Information Cards | Trello](#). I am writing to Police and Crime Commissioners to see if the Region can obtain a small grant.



**ABUSE BY PERSONS IN POSITIONS OF TRUST** On 25th April, Soroptimists are highlighting the abuse of women and girls by persons in a position of trust. Those abusing trust do so to exercise emotional, mental, financial or physical and sexual control. It is insidious, it is coercive. Position of trust’ is a legal term which refers to certain roles and settings where an adult has regular and direct contact with children. Examples include teachers, social workers, doctors and healthcare workers, foster carers, faith group leaders, sports coaches, police. It is against the law for someone in a position of trust to engage sexually with a child (under 18) in their care, even if that child is over the age of consent (16). ‘Position of trust’ further applies to adults with care and support needs, and to any other adult who can reasonably expect to have trust in a person in a position of authority, e.g., the police. Sadly, some recent high-profile cases have shown that the very people who are meant to protect and support us have betrayed our trust and failed to safeguard us. For further information visit the Hub . Sources: <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk>. [www.policeconduct.gov.uk](http://www.policeconduct.gov.uk) Learning the lessons 40 – Abuse of position for sexual purpose (APSP)