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To: Clubs/Regions/National Association/Networks
Copy: SIGBI Limited Board
      Federation Consultative Councillors

Dear Members,

**Safeguarding**

Please find listed all the revised documents to support SIGBI Safeguarding. These are designed to support the implementation of a ‘Safeguarding Awareness’ in your clubs to get the message to every member of SIGBI.

We have to remember that *Safeguarding is Everyone’s responsibility* and this is why the Safeguarding Working Party has produced a 3-minute video to back-up the information provided in the other documents.

There has been much discussion about whether clubs should have a Safeguarding Lead/Link person to help with the raising of awareness and dissemination of Safeguarding information.

The Board felt this may be too onerous (or overly bureaucratic) for Clubs as there is already a Region/NA/Network Safeguarding Officer in post from whom they can seek support/information when required. Of course, Clubs are free to appoint/elect a Safeguarding Link person if they so require.

The following list of Safeguarding documents is available on the Members area of the SIGBI website:

1. SIGBI Safeguarding Policy - January 2021
2. SIGBI Safeguarding Guidance –Protection of children and vulnerable adults- January 2021
3. SIGBI Safeguarding Procedure
4. SIGBI Safeguarding Risk Assessment Template and Guidance - January 2021
5. SIGBI Safeguarding Types and Indicators of Abuse - January 2021
6. SIGBI Safeguarding Reporting Information Form - January 2021
7. SIGBI Safeguarding Club Meeting Presentation - January 2021
8. SIGBI Safeguarding Awareness Video – ‘Safeguarding is Everyone’s Responsibility’ – Sept 20
9. SIGBI Safeguarding Designated Officer Role Specification - January 2021
10. SIGBI Safeguarding Region/NA/Country/Network Safeguarding Officer January 2021

My sincere thanks go to the Safeguarding Working Party who have spent many hours working on these documents and to the Board for their support. Please remember that your SIGBI Safeguarding Officer is there to support you the members and would be willing to help where necessary.

Yours in friendship,

*Shirley Jones*
SIGBI Designated Safeguarding Officer
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