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Creating Safer Space:

Foundation Module

**Safeguarding training session**

(for both new office holders and those requiring ‘refresher’ training after 4 years). A list of those required to complete the training is over the page.

The new Foundation module replaces both the old Foundation and Foundation Refresher modules.

You can choose from either an online or in person training session- both cover the same material.

**Online training sessions**

Course materials will be sent to you before the session.

**Thursday 27th January 2022, 7pm**

**In person training sessions**

**Saturday 5th March 2022** 9.45am**,** Acomb Methodist Church

**Wednesday 4th May 2022** 2pm, Heworth Methodist Church

#### Please book in advance by contacting the Circuit Office with your name, email and postal address.

#### Email: yorkcircuitoffice@gmail.com

This module replaces both the Foundation and Foundation Refresher modules, and should be completed by any relevant office holder (see below) who has never completed Foundation training or who has completed the Foundation or Refresher training more than 4 years ago.

If you are also required to complete the Advanced module of training, you will now only be required to complete the Foundation module once and refresh the Advanced module every 4 years, rather than repeat both.

**Core List – Required Attendance**

• Presbyters and Deacons with an active preaching or pastoral ministry, pre-ordination students and probationers

• Lay employees and volunteer workers with pastoral responsibility

• Pastoral visitors

• Anyone working with children in the name of the church

• Anyone working in activities targeted at adults who are vulnerable (e.g. luncheon club for the housebound)

• Church and Circuit stewards

• Local preachers (Local Preachers should enrol and complete the Foundation Module at the earliest opportunity after receiving a Note to Preach. Both Foundation and Advanced modules must be completed by the end of the second year of training and before their second interview on trial, whichever occurs first.)

• Worship leaders (Worship Leaders should enrol and complete the Foundation Module at the earliest opportunity after commencing training. Both Foundation October 2019 and Advanced modules must be complete by the end of the second year of training and before their appointment by the Church Council, whichever occurs first.)

• Church and circuit safeguarding representatives

• Choir/music group/drama leaders – where there are children or vulnerable adults in the group.

• District staff especially policy committee members, complaints and discipline, mediators

• Core teaching staff at Methodist Church Training Institutions

• Connexional staff with direct safeguarding links e.g. children and youth workers

• Monitoring and Support group members (for safeguarding contracts/Covenant of Care Agreements)

• Young Leaders (ages 16-18)

• Members of the Safeguarding Committee

**Warmly invited but not mandatory**

• Evangelism/mission enablers

• Leaders of other organisations, working with children or vulnerable adults, who use church premises

• Remaining Choir/music group/drama leaders

• Any other group leaders within the church, who may have adults who are vulnerable within their group.

• Property stewards and other keyholders

• Caretakers

• Church/circuit meeting secretaries

• Church/circuit/district administrators

• Remaining District and connexional staff

• Remaining teaching staff at Methodist Church Training Institutions