

# ARE THEY SAFE? - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Episode 2



## Are they safe? VIN Safeguarding podcasts

For this episode, John is joined by Natriece Westwood of NDAS, Caroline Gooch of Age UK Northamptonshire, Jane Geraghty an Independent Scrutineer from Northamptonshire Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB) and Michelle Wright, Team Manager for Safeguarding & Assurance, North Northants Council to talk about roles and responsibilities relating to safeguarding.

The podcast will help VCSE organisations understand:

- When and why they might want a designated safeguarding lead
- How to involve everyone in safeguarding
- The role of boards/ trustees/ management committees in safeguarding

## Quotes /key points

"The message with safeguarding is, it's everyone's business". Michelle

- Have safeguarding as a standing agenda item at meetings
- Review policies regularly
- Keep alert to new and emerging trends

"Its good practice to have a designated safeguarding lead, they can keep an overview and ensure that procedures are followed" *Natrice* 

"Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility" Jane

#### **Recommended resources**

NSAB - Working Together to keep residents in North & West Northamptonshire safe

NSCB - Northamptonshire safeguarding children's board

Safeguarding for volunteer managers

Safeguarding guidance for HR Managers:

NCVO Safeguarding Leads handbook

NCVO Safeguarding responsibilities for CEOs

Children England Safeguarding Responsibilities of Trustees in organisations working with children

Charity Commission guidance on safeguarding for charities and trustees

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