

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF THE COMITÉ DES CONNÉTABLES
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 24th JUNE 2024
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 1st JULY 2024**

Question

“Will the Chair advise what safeguarding training is provided to Parish staff who are in regular contact with members of the public, and whether such training is mandatory?”

Answer

Protecting children and vulnerable adults from harm, abuse and neglect is important for all. Training on safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults for all staff working with or in contact with children, adults, families and carers should therefore be appropriate and in line with the recommendations of the Safeguarding Board’s training strategy.

Safeguarding training is provided and is mandatory for Parish staff employed to work in residential homes and nurseries, for example Westmount Day Nursery, St Ewolds Residential Home, and Maison St Brelade.

- St Ewolds Residential Home – Care staff – Safeguarding Partnership Board- Working together to safeguard adults at risk
 - All Home staff - Ihasco online training -Safeguarding level 2
- Westmount Day Nursery – Nursery Staff – 6 hours of safeguarding and child protection training from Virtual College, followed by annual updates - Ihasco online training -Safeguarding level 2
 - All Nursery Staff (online with Virtual College) Jersey Children’s first Level 1: Introduction
 - Level 2: Essentials
- The Designated safeguarding leads, in addition complete the following:
 - Early Help Well-being Assessment (3 hours in person)
 - Role and responsibility of the Lead worker (6 hours in person)
 - Using and Sharing Chronologies (3 hours in person)
- Maison St Brelade - Safeguarding Foundation Course, mandatory for all staff, provided by in-house qualified trainer.

For Parish staff undertaking a general customer service role who have limited contact with members of the public on an occasional, or ad hoc, basis training may be desirable and be offered, but is not mandatory e.g. Community Services Staff – Government of Jersey, Level 2 Safeguarding.

In relation to volunteers, including those serving their Parish in an honorary capacity, training is provided to members of the Honorary Police and to Community Support volunteers. Honorary Police training has previously been delivered by SPB (the Safeguarding Partnership Board - Level 1 (children) training courses) and by the States of Jersey Police (Safeguarding and vulnerability training (adult safeguarding)). Two members of the Honorary Police have completed the ‘Train the Trainer’ Course to deliver training in-house in the future.