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The Terms of Reference for the 'PCR2 Reference Group' which will oversee Past Cases Review 2 for the National Church Institutions has been published today.

PCR2 will be completed in every Church of England Diocese by 2021 – the original finish date was extended due to restrictions imposed by COVID-19.

The Group will oversee implementation of PCR2 for the offices of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the National Church Institutions based at Church House Westminster. It will also oversee the care and support provision for victims and survivors engaged or affected by this part of the review.

The Reference Group is made up of representatives from the police, statutory authorities and survivors and members of the Church of England's National Safeguarding Team.

The Reference Group is Chaired by Chris Robson, who has an extensive safeguarding background at all levels from practitioner to strategic lead. Following 30 years' service with the Metropolitan Police he has more recently undertaken numerous positions chairing, reviewing and scrutinising safeguarding partnerships and individual agencies.

The Group will meet regularly to monitor progress of the PCR2 for the NCIs.

How to disclose information to the PCR 2 review

If you have information which may be relevant to the PCR 2 for the NCIs please contact safeguarding@churchofengland.org

Recognising that this may not feel safe for those with a lived experience of abuse from within the church, a dedicated telephone helpline - **0800 80 20 20** - operated independently from the church, by the NSPCC, has been set up. **From the end of 2021 this helpline is no longer in operation.**

To disclose information relating to a diocese, please contact the relevant [diocesan safeguarding adviser](#) or call the NSPCC line above.

Notes

PCR2 was set up following an [independent scrutiny report](#) published in 2018 into the original PCR (2007/8) which showed shortcomings and

inconsistency in that process.

Protocols and practice guidance were published in August 2019.

Documents

- [PCR2 Reference Group TOR.pdf](#) (121.17 KB)

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