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My Friends,

As part of my commitment to safeguarding in the Diocese and the ongoing renewal of Safeguarding in Cloyne, I have appointed a new Designated Liaison person (DLP), Claire Tobin. Claire has 17 years experience in social work and safeguarding practice with a particular focus on assessment and prevention of child sexual abuse. She worked with Tusla Child and Family Agency from 2018-2024.

The role of the DLP is to manage cases in the event of an allegation of abuse being raised. The DLP is also the person to whom someone should go to if they wish to raise a concern/suspicion/ allegation about abuse involving Church Personnel in the Diocese.

We are very fortunate in the Diocese to have so many people working for the Diocese in Safeguarding, such as the Parish Safeguarding Representatives, and the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee. Recently I have appointed a number of new members to the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee.

The Work of Safeguarding continues to ensure that young people can be active in the Church in a safe environment. I encourage Parishes to engage with young people that they may become involved in the Church. I thank everyone in the Diocese for their participation in Safeguarding.

With every good wish and blessing,

+ Wm. lecan Most Rev William Crean, DD,

Bishop of Cloyne

Note: Claire Tobin can be contacted on the dlp email <u>dlp@cloynediocese.ie</u> and phone 086-0368999