

Title: Safeguarding Lead

Responsible to: Regional Minister: Strategy and Transition

Pay: £5,250 (actual salary)

Hours: 1 day a week (approx. 7 hours a week to be worked flexibly in discussion with the Regional Minister: Strategy: which is a mix of hours during the working week (daytime), evening meetings and occasional weekends.

Start date: To be negotiated with the successful candidate (ideally October 2022).

Role Purpose: to enable local designated safeguarding persons to ensure good safeguarding practice in their church and pioneer missional activities across the NBA churches.

Key Tasks and Responsibilities:

- Provide a first point of contact for advice with the local designated safeguarding person when a safeguarding issue arises in a member church, whether child protection or adult at risk.
- Offer advice and guidance on the application of the Baptist Union's safeguarding policy (adopted by local churches) and local procedures at church level, including the involvement of statutory authorities as appropriate.
- Offer on-going support to churches managing a safeguarding issue.
- Oversee and manage safeguarding training programme for member churches, using the Baptist Union's 'Excellence in Safeguarding' training programme and materials (including offering training alongside a team of volunteer trainers)

Previous experience of working within Baptist Churches/Associations would be advantageous. Although the majority of the time you will be expected to work from home there will also be in person meetings that you will be expected to attend.

The Northern Baptist Association is a Christian charity and as such, it is an occupational requirement that the holder of this post is a committed Christian and in sympathy with the Baptist Declaration of Principle.

The appointment will be subject to an enhanced disclosure from the DBS.

To apply please send your CV and a covering letter addressing what excites you about and how you think your gifts will enable you in this role to hayley@thenba.org.uk

Please include in your covering letter or CV the contact details of two people you are happy for us to contact for a reference (one of these should be your most recent or current employer).

For a full job description and details of the application procedure please visit the website: <https://www.thenba.org.uk/joinin>

For more information you can contact Rev Hayley Young via email hayley@thenba.org.uk

Deadline for applications: Friday 5th August at 9am

Date of interviews: Tuesday 23rd August (in person)