



Safeguarding African Children Network

AFRUCA – Africans Unite Against Child Abuse is the premier charity promoting the welfare of African children in the UK.

The Safeguarding African Children Network has been established by AFRUCA to provide an opportunity for mutual learning and support among African communities and faith organisations working in the area of or interested in the safeguarding of African children in London. The Network also aims bring to the attention of policy makers and practitioners issues and concerns regarding the protection needs of African children and members' experiences and expertise in addressing them.

We are pleased to invite you to our next seminar on:

“The role of the Independent Safeguarding Authority in Safeguarding Children”

The Independent Safeguarding Authority's (ISA) was created to help prevent unsuitable people from working with children and vulnerable adults. It will be the single authority responsible for assessing every person who wants to work or volunteer with vulnerable people including children. Potential employees and volunteers will need to apply to register with the ISA.

In this regard it will make all the discretionary barring decisions that are currently taken by the Secretary of State. It will act independently of individual government ministers but report annually to parliament to parliament. What are the implications of the ISA's work on faith and community organisations working in the African community?

Date: Thursday, 23rd October 2008

Time: 1:00pm – 4:00pm (including lunch)

Venue: City Parochial Foundation Offices: 6 Middle Street London, EC1A 7PH (nearest tube: Barbican. Buses: 56, 4)

<http://www.cityparochial.org.uk/>

Guest Speaker: Adrian McAllister, Chief Executive of Independent Safeguarding Authority

His many credentials include twenty two years experience working in the Police Force including several years as Senior Detective. He is a Graduate of Loughborough and Manchester Universities and holds a diploma in Applied Criminology from Cambridge

To register for the event and for further information on the safeguarding African children network, please contact: Justin Bahunga, Policy Officer, AFRUCA. Tel: 0207 704 2261, Email: Justin@Afruca.org

Places are limited and will be on first come first served basis.