

Child Protection Committee

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National Anti-Bullying Week 13th -17th November 2017

Welcome to this special newsletter from the Child Protection and Adult Protection Committees. This edition is promoting the National Anti-Bullying Week for 2017 which is celebrated this year on 13th to 17th November 2017.

National Information

<http://www.bullying.co.uk/anti-bullying-week/anti-bullying-week-resources/>

Local Information

The Shetland Community Safety and Resilience Board and the Shetland Planning Partnership want to give a strong and clear message that there should be a zero tolerance approach to any form of bullying behaviour that harms children, young people and adults. Our focus is on keeping people safe, supporting those harmed, challenging any form of bullying behaviour and if necessary using appropriate legal measures to tackle bullying behaviour.

We aim to help everyone in Shetland - children, young people and adults - to live free from all forms of bullying, harassment and any form of discrimination, and to build the skills and resilience to prevent and respond to bullying. It is a fundamental right under Human Rights Legislation to live free from the effects of any form of unfair treatment.

Four steps we are trying to encourage in response to bullying are

- 1) Speak to someone you trust or phone a helpline;
- 2) Make sure you are listened too;
- 3) Keep a log;
- 4) Report it and get help;

<http://www.safershetland.com/documents#antibullying>



Wear Blue Day (10th November)

Wear Blue Day will hopefully be a big opportunity for workplaces and community and sports groups to show their support for a "Bully Free Shetland" by wearing blue on 10th November again send photos to [asb@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:asb@shetland.gov.uk) and prizes will be on offer.

Promote the Survey

Have your say on a "bully free Shetland" take our survey <http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/antibullying2017/>

Sign the Pledge

Workplaces & Local Groups help create a "Bully free Shetland" by signing the pledge. "We want everyone in Shetland to live free from all forms of bullying, harassment and any form of discrimination. To build the skills and resilience to prevent and respond to bullying."



Encourage people to get involved:

Listen to the debate "bullies rule the world" at Stoneyhill Hall on Saturday 18th November from 19:30.

Employers & Employees help make a "bully free Shetland" Attend an ACAS talk on 22nd November 18:00 to 20:00 at Museum & Archives Auditorium.

There will also be two one hour talks at the Shetland College between 2pm to 4pm by ACAS and some other anti-bullying talks the week before on the 15th November between 2pm and 3.30pm. Anyone wishing to attend please email [asb@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:asb@shetland.gov.uk) to confirm a place.

If you are running an event why not send photos or feedback to [asb@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:asb@shetland.gov.uk) using hashtags #bullyfreeshetland and #stopbullying on social media.

If there are any specific topics or issues you would like us to cover, please let the Lead Officer know, [kate.gabb@shetland.gov.uk](mailto:kate.gabb@shetland.gov.uk)



Other Useful Weblinks:

- [www.safershetland.com](http://www.safershetland.com)
- [www.bullying.co.uk](http://www.bullying.co.uk)
- [www.respectme.org.uk](http://www.respectme.org.uk)
- [www.childline.org.uk/explore/bullying/pages/bullying.aspx](http://www.childline.org.uk/explore/bullying/pages/bullying.aspx)
- [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)
- [www.stopbullying.gov](http://www.stopbullying.gov)

