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How Safe Is Your Organisation, Really?

The Digital Safeguarding Audit — find out where your policies, training and practice actually stand against online harm.

Start with the free assessment.

THE QUESTION EVERY BOARD SHOULD ASK

Your safeguarding policy exists. Your training happened. Your boxes are ticked.

But could your organisation answer these, today, in writing?

- Which online harms are your children, service users or staff actually exposed to through your settings, services or platforms?
- Would your staff recognise a disclosure about online harm — and do they know what to say in the first thirty seconds?
- Do your policies cover the digital dimension, or were they written for the physical world and lightly edited?
- If a regulator, inspector or journalist asked for evidence of your digital safeguarding practice, what would you show them?

Most organisations cannot answer all four. The audit exists to change that — and to document it.

HOW THE AUDIT WORKS

Step 1 — Free assessment (*start today*)

A structured self-assessment of your current digital safeguarding position. It takes minutes and produces an honest picture of where you stand — including a **Trauma-Informed Use of Technology** document. → *Free at the website. No obligation, no sales call required.*

Step 2 — Full Digital Safeguarding Audit (*scoped engagement*)

Dr Knibbs reviews your policies, training records, reporting routes and digital practice against the evidence base on online harm. Includes staff conversations where appropriate.

Step 3 — Findings & remediation plan

A written report: risk-ranked gaps, prioritised recommendations, and the policy and protocol changes required — in language your board, governors or inspectors will recognise.

Step 4 — Embedding (*optional*)

Staff training, policy redrafting and a follow-up review, so the audit becomes practice rather than a document in a drawer.

WHO CONDUCTS IT

The audit is conducted personally by **Dr Catherine Knibbs**:

- Developer of CYBERTRAUMA™ theory (2016–2021)
- Consultant Child and Adult Trauma Psychotherapist with 30+ years working with technology
- PhD researcher — children aged 7–10 exposed to violence and gore online
- Author of seven books on online harms; Journal Editor at Frontiers
- Safeguarding advisor across education, health, charity and corporate sectors
- Top 20 Most Inspiring Women in Cyber 2026 · National Cyber Awards winner 2025

This is not a checklist exercise by a generalist. It is a clinical-grade review by the person who wrote the research your inspectors are starting to quote.

WHAT YOU WALK AWAY WITH

- A documented, defensible picture of your digital safeguarding position
- A risk-ranked remediation plan your leadership can act on
- Policies and protocols that cover the world your children actually live in
- Evidence of due diligence for regulators, inspectors, insurers and boards
- Staff who know what to say when it matters

Who it's for: schools and multi-academy trusts · NHS and CAMHS services · local government · charities and sports organisations · any corporate whose products, platforms or services touch children.

Next step: take the free assessment at the website, or email to scope a full audit. Engagements are quoted at proposal stage and secured with a non-refundable deposit.

Catherine Knibbs Ltd *Because protecting children online requires more than a policy.*

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