



Lions District 133 Ireland

Dear Lion President,

With the establishment of the National Vetting Bureau in 2016, eVetting was rolled out on a phased basis with Lions Clubs of Ireland registered for eVetting in late 2017. The new vetting system has been piloted and the first Lions have been 'cleared' under the eVetting procedures. We are now in a position to roll out the new vetting procedures to all clubs in the Republic of Ireland.

With the implementation of legislation on the Protection and Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Persons, the approach to vetting is more demanding and rigorous. The National Vetting Bureau will only undertake vetting when a person is carrying out 'relevant work' with children or vulnerable persons.

There is no general requirement for Lions members to be vetted. Vetting is only required when Lion members undertake services that can be termed 'relevant work' as defined in the Act. Another consideration is the frequency of undertaking this 'relevant work'. This Practical Booklet on Vetting provides a guide to Lions Clubs in the Republic of Ireland on when vetting is required and the approach by which Lions can apply for vetting. Each Lions club is required to appoint a Club vetting officer, who will liaise with the Lions National Liaison Officer.

I wish to conclude by thanking Lion Gerry Redmond [Carlow Lions Club] for agreeing to take on the position of the Lions National Liaison Officer for the purpose of vetting and also express the appreciation of the District Cabinet to PDG Bill Goggins for his outstanding work on behalf of Lions in the area of vetting over many years.

Yours in Lionism
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