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Dear Colleague

**“Chelsea’s Choice” Drama Production on Child Sexual Exploitation
FREE FOR ALL NORFOLK SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

I would very much like to invite you to take advantage of an interactive drama presentation to be delivered within your school aimed at Year 9 pupils.

Chelsea’s Choice is a theatre production by a company called AlterEgo. The play is aimed at raising awareness amongst young people, in Year 9, about CSE and tells the story of a group of three students who discover the diary of a girl called Chelsea. The production is acted by young actors and takes about 30 minutes followed by an hour’s discussion. The play has been well received by schools in Lincolnshire, Gloucestershire, Leicestershire, Peterborough and more recently in Cambridgeshire.

As part of the continued programme of awareness about CSE, Norfolk Safeguarding Children Board have agreed to fund the full cost of Chelsea’s Choice being delivered in all Norfolk High Schools during Nov/Dec .

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) is an identified priority for schools and you will be aware featured prominently in the recently published DFE safeguarding guidance. Chelsea’s Choice provides a superb opportunity for schools to demonstrate their commitment to tackling CSE and to provide high quality input for students. The play will offer you the opportunity to develop your staff’s knowledge and confidence around CSE and provide evidence of the priority your school places on safeguarding.

Attached is some information about the company providing the play and some testimonials from other Local Authorities where it has previously been delivered. In addition to this information, there will also be **3 free pre-tour performances** for up to 2 staff members from each Norfolk high school/ Academy. This will give staff the opportunity to see the performance content prior to it going ‘live’ around the schools. It will also give those staff the opportunity to consider resources to support any follow-on work that the school might wish to undertake.

If you would like your school to take advantage of the pre tour performances, please book a place on one of the pre-tour performances as below, stating which performance you would like to attend on behalf of your school.

I am extending the invitation to Schools across Norfolk. I very much hope that you can join us at one of the pre-tour performances. Your input at the session that follows the performance will be most welcome. You will also be given more information at those performances about the main tour next year and how to book a free performance for your students.

The pre-tour performances are on **Friday 11 July**, as follows:

- 9.30am-11.30am – Green Britain Centre, Swaffham, PE37 7HP
- 1.30pm-3.30pm – Sprowston High School, Norwich, NR7 8NE
- 4.30pm-6.30pm – Sprowston High School, Norwich, NR7 8NE

To book a place on one of the above sessions, please contact the [NSCB](#) by **Friday 13 June**: you will then be provided with a booking sheet to secure a time for the play to be performed in your school in the Autumn Term.

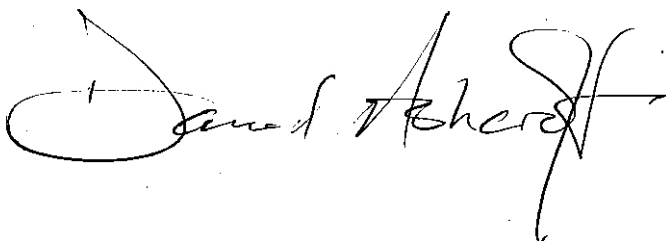
If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact either:

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Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Ashcroft', with a large, stylized initial 'D'.

David Ashcroft
Independent Chair
Norfolk Safeguarding Children Board