

22rd February 2023

Impact Safety Net DBS checking service

We are writing to let you know that Safety Net will cease to provide a DBS checking service after 31st March 2023.

The dialogue on the need for and the viability of the service has been discussed at Safety Net Board meetings over the last few years and post merge the combined Board of trustees made the difficult decision to end the service earlier this month.

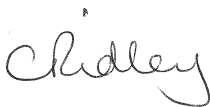
Whilst we appreciate you continue to use the service, there has been a general decline in demand over the last few years as more and more people are now using online alternatives. For most these are much quicker and cost effective with results often being received within 48 hours, so much so they are what we use for our own organisations checks.

The team will miss working with you and do appreciate your working with us over the years, but, as with many things progress has overtaken the level of need and so the viability of our paper-based service.

We will complete any checks in progress after 31st of March but that will be the last day for any new checks to be submitted.

Over the next few weeks we will be happy to talk to you about alternative services or to advise of how to set your organisation up with U check or similar service if that would be helpful

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Caroline Ridley'.

Caroline Ridley

Impact Initiatives CEO