

Diocesan Risk Assessment Management Team (DRAMT)

Members of the diocesan Risk Assessment Management Team (DRAMT) are appointed by the bishop to assist him, within the strict limits of the law, with the management of individual allegation concerns raised with the Diocese.

Allegations considered by the DRAMT are those that have been made against a diocesan cleric, employee or volunteer.

The advice and recommendations of the DRAMT should assist the bishop to come to decisions about how to proceed, in accordance with both civil and canon law,

The DRAMT should comprise a small number of individuals with relevant expertise, including those with experience of working in the legal profession, in canon law, in healthcare, social work and the Police.

Its composition should be mixed, in numbers of ordained and lay members, and in their gender.

The DRAMT meets as often as is required, as cases are brought to its attention and as they progress. The content of any meeting respects the confidentiality of the matters discussed, as far as is reasonably possible.

Minutes of meetings are written and retained securely, in accordance with the data Protection policy, and members of the DRAMT must declare any real or potential conflicts of interest at the start of each meeting.

The Diocese of Dunkeld DRAMT meets on a quarterly basis or more often if required. If no cases are required to be considered by the group then training scenarios are discussed.

The Diocese has a strong and experience group consisting of experience in Social Work, Law and Policing, as well as members of clergy who bring their own wealth of experience to the group. The group has the power to coopt members as required when considering certain cases.

The DRAMT in the Diocese of Dunkeld is Chaired by a member of the group who is independent of the Catholic Church.