



KERRY DEAF RESOURCE CENTRE

KDRC provides services to deaf, deafened, hard of hearing & hearing customers on deaf and hard of hearing related issues. Appointments can be arranged via our Centre in Tralee.

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REBRANDING & NEW NAME.

In previous newsletters, we talked about our plans to create a new name & image for our service to mark our 20 years in service. We have been delighted with the response from our customers and would like to thank everyone for their creative ideas so far. The challenge now is to check if the proposed new names are registered by other companies. We will also need to check if any new name is available for email addresses and new Facebook/website pages.



As mentioned previously, we are hoping to secure sponsorship to cover the costs. We also plan for most of the work to be carried out by in-house staff & sponsors so we can keep costs to a minimum. So, keep your ideas coming in and thanks again for your support.

CHANGES TO GARDA VETTING PROCEDURES.



The Garda Vetting Act stipulates that *a relevant organisation shall not permit any person to undertake relevant work or activities on behalf of the organisation with vulnerable adults/children, unless the organisation receives a vetting disclosure from the National Vetting*

Bureau in respect of that person.

To ensure registered organisations are compliant with new Service Level Arrangements (SLAs), there are a number of changes to the vetting procedure that we are now implementing.

As it is a criminal offence to carry out unnecessary vetting, this procedure will only be carried out for candidates who our service deems to have a role that involves ***‘a necessary and regular part which consists mainly of the person having access to, or contact with, children/ vulnerable persons’***.

Going forward, individuals will no longer be able to request vetting as per the Act. Our service will be responsible for determining which roles require vetting. Where we determine a role meets the access/contact criteria of ***‘a necessary and regular part’***, vetting will be provided. Where this condition is not met, vetting will not be required.