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Dear Headteacher/Professional Tutor,

As you will be aware from previous correspondence, ITE providers in the South East region have increasingly collaborated regarding their Initial Teacher Education programmes. We very much value the commitment to Partnership working in the region and wish to strengthen joint communication wherever possible.

We are writing to confirm that the procedures relating to DBS and other suitability checks for student teachers are unchanged and we will continue the system which operated successfully in 2017/18.

We feel that a joint letter from all providers will ensure that there is a clear understanding of our roles and responsibilities within safeguarding and trust that you will find the enclosed information relating to vetting and suitability checks to be helpful.

May we take this opportunity, jointly, to thank you for your continued commitment and your leading role in Initial Teacher Education.

Yours sincerely,

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