

Circles of Support and Accountability
information for adults

**“Since my release from prison,
Circles have been a great help,
encouraging me and giving me
confidence. They are a godsend”**

Core Member



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As someone with a conviction for sexual offending or previous harmful sexual behaviour, you may be interested in additional support to help you get on with your life safely.

What is a Circle?

A Circle of Support and Accountability is made up of a group of friendly, trained volunteers who work with you – we call you a “Core Member” – to offer support and advice, help build social skills, and increase confidence and self-esteem. They help you to address practical matters, such as housing and employment and offer a safe, non-judgemental environment in which you can explore law-abiding and purposeful future goals.

Who else will know?

The Circle works closely with statutory agencies (police, probation) because we believe that if you really want to change, you will understand the need for us all to work openly and honestly together.

How often do they meet?

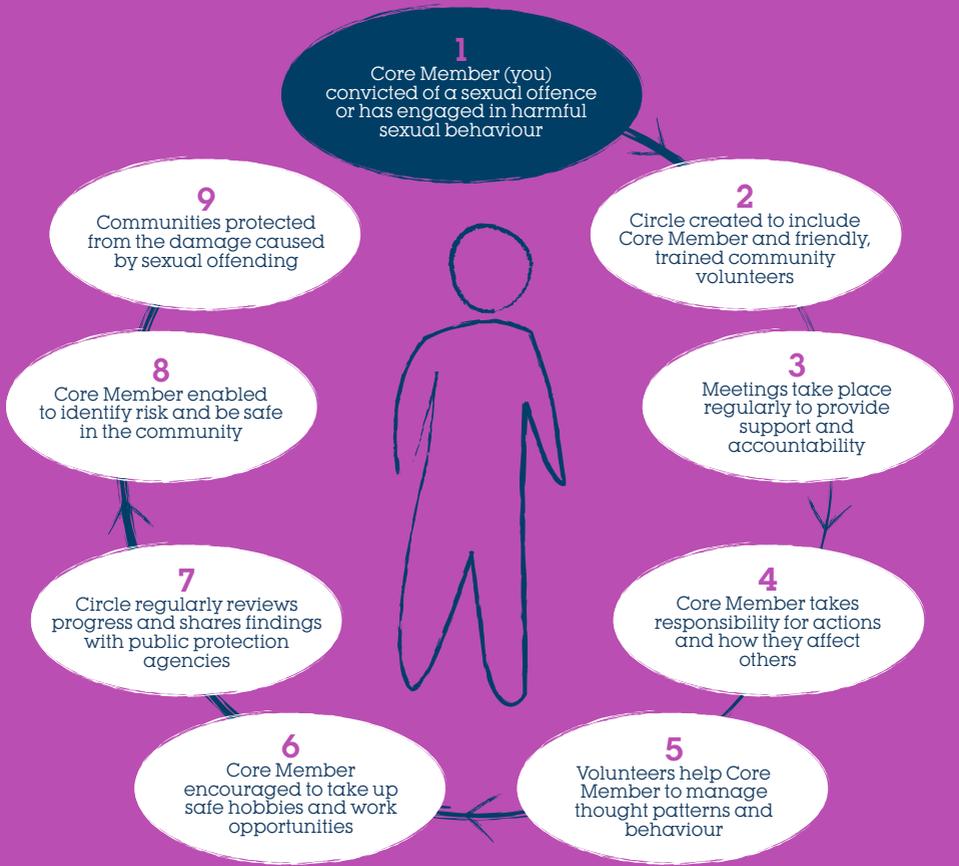
Circle meetings are held weekly and Circles usually last between 12 and 18 months, depending on your needs. They meet in a safe, local community venue to discuss the things you want to achieve and to help you to manage your thoughts, feelings and behaviour to prevent any further offending.

How do I join?

If you are interested in a Circle, please ask your probation practitioner or police offender manager to get in touch with us so that we can discuss a referral and, if suitable, arrange to meet with you to discuss further.

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How Circles work



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