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This is the 11<sup>th</sup> bulletin of the [Members' Policy Forum](#). The MPF is an initiative that aims to increase opportunities for all our members to engage directly with ACF's policy work, raise issues of interest and concern, and regularly engage with policy-makers in government. Feel free to share this email with any colleagues or trustees that may be interested, and encourage them to sign up too.

- **Serious incident reporting for foundations: what, why and how (10am-12pm, 5 December, Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales).** There are still spaces at our next session on serious incident reporting. Join us at this conversation with the Charity Commission for England and Wales and a legal expert as we explore foundations' role in reporting and safeguarding, as well as discuss how foundations can and should respond when other incidents occur. [Find out more and book your place here.](#)
- **Social Bridging Finance (10am-12pm, 29 January, venue tbc).** The first MPF session of the new year is open for booking! Join foundation representatives and government at this Members' Policy Forum session to hear from Kenneth Ferguson, Director of the Robertson Trust, as he discusses how this new finance model works, how it has been implemented to date, and the impact it has had in the fields of education, health and social care. We will also have video input from local authorities and charities involved in the model. Please save the date and bookings will open shortly.
- **Safeguarding resources** – NCVO has published a [suite of resources](#) to help charities develop an approach to safeguarding, which include a section aimed at grant-makers. The resource looks at how grant-makers might consider safeguarding as it applies to grant applicants and grant holders, and uses case studies to demonstrate different approaches. It also makes reference to ACF's own safeguarding framework.
- **The Future of Foundations (8.30-10.30am, 18 November, Nesta)** – Nesta invites ACF members to explore some of the significant challenges on the horizon for foundations and to discuss the strategic choices that the sector is facing in these uncertain times. [Find out more and book here.](#)

As always, please do get in touch if you'd like to discuss anything raised in this bulletin, or if you have any ideas for the MPF.