

PARISH SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

Parish Policy Statement on Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk

Every person has a value and dignity, which comes directly from the creation of people in God's image. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

We commit ourselves to nurture, protect and safeguard all our members, particularly children, young people and adults at risk.

We recognise that safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church.

We undertake to exercise proper care in the selection, appointment, training and support of those working with children or adults at risk.

We will respond without delay to concerns or allegations that a child or adult at risk may have been harmed, cooperating fully in any investigation.

We will challenge any abuse of power by anyone in a position of trust.

We will seek to offer pastoral care to anyone who has suffered abuse.

We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or adult at risk.

Signed:

Vicar/Rector/Priest in charge:

Churchwarden:

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Safeguarding Officer

Gloria Dockwray : Safeguarding Officer

Our safeguarding officer is the first person to speak to if you have any concerns around the welfare of a child or adult at risk.

You can contact them on 0208 907 5483

Children's Champion

Andrea Stroud: Children's Champion

The Children's Champion is here to be an advocate for all children in all areas of Parish life, making sure their views are heard and their needs are thought of.

You can contact them on 0208 930 1130

Important phone numbers:

Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor: 020 7932 1224

Family Lives (was Parentline): 0808 800 222

Childline: 0800 1111

Samaritans: 116 123

NSPCC 24 hour helpline: 0808 800 5000

Action on Elder Abuse: 080 8808 8141

Domestic Violence(females): 0808 2000 247

Mankind (males): 01823 334244

Stop It Now: 0808 1000 900

NAPAC: 0808 801 0331

Harrow Council Social Services: 0208 424 0999