Promoting a safer church

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the church.

Have concerns?

Concerned that someone you know is, or at risk of, being abused or presents a risk to others? Please seek advice or, if necessary, report the matter to your Local Authority Social Care Services or the Police without delay.

Local contacts available to speak to if you have any concerns:

Name:
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Diocese of Bath & Wells Safeguarding team

Use our online form to report your concern at www.bathandwells.org.uk/report-concerns or contact Safeguarding Manager, Ben Goodhind, on 01749 588917.

Out of hours emergency cover is provided by thirtyone:eight from 5pm - midnight, 7am - 9am (Mon-Fri), 7am to midnight (Sat & Sun) and bank holidays. Call them on 0303 003 1111.

Local Authority Social Services Somerset: 0300 123 2224 BANES: bcssp.bathnes.gov.uk/form/report-a-concern North Somerset: 01275 888 808 (children) 01275 888 801 (adults) An immediate risk or danger? Contact the police on 999.

Our commitments

- Promoting a safer environment and culture
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children and vulnerable adults
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse or other affected persons
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns/allegations of abuse and other affected persons
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk

Helplines

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NSPCC: 0808 800 5000

Childline: 0800 1111

Stop It Now: 0800 1000 900

Samaritans: 116 123

National Domestic Abuse Abuse Helpline: 0800 2000 247

NAPAC: 0808 801 0331

Family Lives: 0808 800 2222

National care line: 0800 0699 785

Men's Advice Line: 0808 8010 327

Safe Spaces - support for survivors of abuse: 0300 303 1056