

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

House of Bishops
Safeguarding Policy
for children, young
people & adults

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED

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

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

Name: Keith Mason

Role: Parish Safeguarding Officer

Contact: safeguarding@ccsurbiton.org

Name: Emily Yelland

Role: Parish Safeguarding Officer

Contact: safeguarding@ccsurbiton.org

Name: Kate Singleton

Role: Diocesan Safeguarding Officer

Tel: 020 7939 9423

Email: kate.singleton@southwark.anglican.org

Kingston Social Services: 020 8547 6587

Christ Church Office: 020 8390 7215

**IF THERE IS IMMEDIATE RISK OR DANGER
PLEASE CONTACT THE POLICE ON 101.**

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

- NSPCC: 0808 800 5000
- Childline: 0800 1111
- Stop It Now: 0808 1000 900
- NAPAC: 0808 801 0331
- Samaritans: 116 123
- Family Lives: 0808 800 2222
- National Domestic Violence Helpline: 0808 2000 247
- Action On Elder Abuse: 080 8808 8141

Safeguarding at Christ Church

Jesus talked of the kingdom of God belonging to children; he gave them status, time and respect. Jesus also showed himself to be compassionately on the side of those without power, reaching across social barriers with the inclusive love of God.

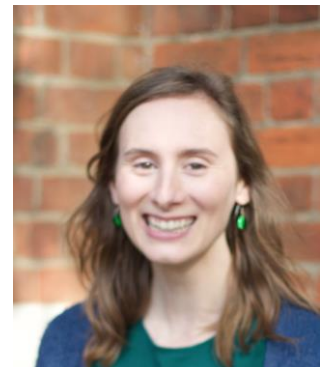
A Christian approach to safeguarding children, vulnerable adults and those in abusive relationships therefore asks both individuals and communities to create a safe environment for them, to act promptly on any complaints made, to care for those who have been abused in the past, and to minister appropriately to those who have abused.

The PCC at Christ Church, Surbiton Hill has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy for children, young people & adults '*Promoting a Safer Church*'. We also adhere to the procedures laid out in the Southwark Diocese document, '*A Safe Church*'. The PCC annually reviews its safeguarding policies, procedures and practices. You will find a hard copy of both of these documents in the church office. They also available online.

Our Parish Safeguarding Officers are Keith Mason and Emily Yelland and can be contacted by emailing: safeguarding@ccsurbiton.org



Keith Mason & Emily Yelland
Parish Safeguarding Officers



Please see the poster for the left for other details and relevant contacts.