



The Parish of St Faith at the Hospital of St Cross



Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 7th March 2019

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:

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

The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

This church appoints Michele Brannigan as the Parish Safeguarding Officer

Incumbent: Rev Philip Krinks, Priest-in-Charge

Churchwardens: Murray Dixon and John Pringle

Date: 8th March 2019

Safeguarding Contact Numbers

Child Protection, Vulnerable Adult Protection Domestic Abuse

It is everyone's responsibility to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults. If you have any concerns, support can be obtained from:

Within the Parish

Priest in Charge: Rev Philip Krinks, 07899 813 650

Associate Priest: Rev Hilary Healey, 01962 865923

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Michele Brannigan, 01962 890871

Within the Diocese



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Director for Safeguarding & Inclusion
24/7. 07921 865374.
Routine. 01962 737317.

Safeguarding@winchester.anglican.org

National Helplines



Call: 0800 1111



Call 080 8808 8141

National Domestic
Abuse Helpline:

Call: 0808 2000 247

In an emergency dial 999