# Promoting a safer church

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*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:

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| Name: | Jane Johnson |
| Role: | Parish Safeguarding Officer |
| Tel: | 07808 684357 |
| E-Mail: | safeguarding@sawbridgeworthchurch.org.uk |

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| Name: | Jez Hirst |
| Role: | Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser |
| Tel: | 01727 818 107 |
| E-mail: | safeguarding@stalbans.anglican.org |

Local Authority Social Services:
0300 123 4043

**IF THERE IS IMMEDIATE RISK OR DANGER PLEASE 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

- NSPCC: 0808 8005000
- Childline: 0800 1111
- Stop It Now: 0808 1000 900
- NAPAC: 0808 801 0331
- Samaritans: 116 123
- Family Lives: 0808 800 2222
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: 0808 2000 247
- Respect Phoneline: 0808 8010 327
- National Careline: 0800 0699 784

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding