

## Safeguarding Statement

We have adopted the House of Bishops' [Promoting a Safer Church](#) safeguarding policy statement.

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.



**ST ANDREW THE GREAT**

Alasdair Paine

Vicar

Sarah Robinson

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Piyush Jani

Deputy Safeguarding Officer

### **Safeguarding policies**

Policy Statement and Principles

General Safeguarding Policy Document

Children's Safeguarding Policy

Adults at Risk Safeguarding Policy

Domestic Abuse Policy



**We take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults very seriously.**

If you have any concerns about the welfare of a child or vulnerable adult, or the care that is being provided

OR

You need to talk to someone about something in our church that isn't right or has upset you

*Please get in touch with:*

### **Children's Advocates**

Mary Burdett      01223 756435  
Gail Featherstone      01223 756435

### **Safeguarding Officer**

Sarah Robinson      01223 756436      [safeguarding@stag.org](mailto:safeguarding@stag.org)

### **Deputy Safeguarding Officer**

Piyush Jani      01223 756436      [safeguarding@stag.org](mailto:safeguarding@stag.org)

If you would rather speak to someone outside of the church, please see the contacts below or visit the Diocese of Ely Safeguarding website <https://www.elydiocese.org/safeguarding.php>

### **Diocese of Ely Safeguarding Team**

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Where immediate danger is likely: **Call 999**

**To contact the Local Authority:**

Children's Social Care  
Adults Social Care  
Out of hours Emergency Duty Team Children and Adults

**0345 045 5203**  
**0345 045 5202**  
**01733 234724**

**Other resources and help**



Family Lives offers a confidential and free helpline daytime service for families in England and Wales (previously known as Parentline). Call on 0808 800 2222 for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life.



You can talk to ChildLine about anything. No problem is too big or too small. Call them free on 0800 1111 or get in touch online (<https://www.childline.org.uk/>). However you choose to contact ChildLine, you're in control. It's confidential and you don't have to give your name if you don't want

National Domestic Violence Helpline 0808 2000 247