

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.*

Your safeguarding contacts are:

Name: Lesley Hurst

Role: Cathedral Safeguarding Adviser

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Name: Catherine Smith

Role: Diocesan Safeguarding Officer

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**Outside of office hours, you can seek
support or general safeguarding advice from:**

Thirty One:Eight

Tel: 0303 0031111

Visit: thirtyoneeight.org

**If any person is at immediate
risk of harm, always call 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 800 5000	• Samaritans: 116 123
• Childline: 0808 1111	• Family Lives: 0808 800 2222
• Stop It Now: 0808 1000 900	• Refuge: 0808 2000 247
• NAPAC: 0808 801 0331	• Hourglass: 0808 8010 327



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www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding