

The Parish of Christ the King Kettering

SAFEGUARDING POLICY SUMMARY***

Promoting a safer church

The following policy summary was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on
1st December 2025

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Allan Jones.

Contact can be made by text on 07803 119914 or by email safeguarding@ctk.org.uk

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 clearly 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/ volunteers within our church community will agree to abide by the full policy and the appendices established by this church and reviewed annually by the PCC.

***** The full policy is available on our church website, in the yellow folder in our church entrance area (which also contains copies of Safeguarding Concern forms for reporting in all areas of safeguarding in church life) and in our church office during opening hours.**