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.

The Diocese of Truro has adopted the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy, 'Promoting a Safer Church', and is committed to:



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

Under the direction of the House of Bishops the national safeguarding team (NST) develop policy and practice guidance; national safeguarding training and quality assurance arrangements for dioceses to implement at a parish level.

SAFEGUARDING Strategic Plan 2020



OUR TEAM'S Key activities

- Providing safeguarding advice and support;
- Managing serious cases;
- Delivering safeguarding training;
- Providing safer recruitment support;
- Ensuring compliance to safeguarding legislation and practice guidance;
- Quality assurance and external scrutiny of safeguarding practice.

In order to achieve this, we work with a network of 500 parish safeguarding officers and 11 parish safeguarding trainers.



WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO

We work in partnership with statutory organisations (Adult Social Care, Children's Services, National Health Service and Probation) and local organisations, such as First Light, in order to support people in our parishes and Truro Cathedral helping to keep themselves and others safe.



THE DIOCESAN STRATEGIC AIMS:

- Celebrate children & young people.
- Embrace innovation & a pioneering culture.
- Increasingly confident in its calling.
- Rejoice in strong, warm & mutually encouraging international links.
- Rejoice in the generosity of God.

OUR FOUR Priorities

Being survivor led

Listening to, engaging with, supporting and learning from those with lived experience of abuse.

Strengthening our leadership culture

Supporting decision making and responsibility, while promoting ownership and accountability at a senior level.

Increasing capacity & supporting our parishes

Developing and delivering training, policy and guidance and quality assurance arrangements.

Safeguarding our communities

Responding to allegations, managing concerns and enabling people to worship safely in church.

HOW WE ARE GOVERNED

Bishop DSAP **Bishop's Diocesan Council Diocesan** Secretary Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor Core Group Audit Decision making **Diocesan Safeguarding Team** Committee Parish Safeguarding **Officers & Trainers** Parish DBS Recruiters **Diocesan teams**

(eg HR, H&S)

Engagement & Development

KEY CONTACTS

General safeguarding queries:

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Urgent safeguarding concerns:

contact Sarah Acraman in office hours **T** 01872 274351 **E** sarah.acraman@truro.anglican.org

Out of hours: call 01208 251300 for an urgent safeguarding response from Social Care, or if you believe somebody is at immediate risk of harm call the police on 999.



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