

# Totley All Saints: Safe Church Policy



**We are committed to respectful pastoral ministry to all adults within our church community.**

**We are committed, within our church community, to the safeguarding and protection of vulnerable people.**

**We will carefully select and train all those with any pastoral responsibility within the Church, including the use of Criminal Records Bureau disclosures and the Independent Safeguarding Board where legal or appropriate.**

**We will respond without delay to any complaint made that an adult for whom we were responsible has been harmed, cooperating with police and the local authority in any investigation.**

**We will seek to offer informed pastoral care to anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate healing ministry.**

**We will challenge any abuse of power by anyone in a position of trust.**

**We will care for and supervise any member of our church community known to have offended against a vulnerable person.**

**We have adopted the Diocese of Sheffield's Safeguarding Policy as the basis for our own Church policy and practice document.**

**Details can be found at**

**<https://www.sheffield.anglican.org/UserFiles/File/Safeguarding/Safe-Church-Policy-amended-February-2017.pdf>**

**A copy of this policy is kept: in the Church Office**

If you have concerns about any person's welfare please contact the Safe Church Representative **Liz Hayden**: who can be contacted at: [Tel:0114 2364944](tel:01142364944)

## **Statutory Agencies**

**Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser Linda Langthorne: 01709 309149**

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**Urgent cases. Mobile 07871796682**

**National Domestic Violence Helpline 0808 200 0247**

**Samaritans 0845 790 9090**

**Stop It Now 0808 1000 900**

**(Helpline for abusers, potential abusers and others concerned with sexual abuse)**

**Women's Aid**

**08457 023 468**