



PCC Safeguarding Policy Statement

Parish of St Saviour's Sunbury

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. This implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

- We accept and endorse the principles set out in 'Safeguarding in the Diocese of London'.
- We commit ourselves to nurture, protect and safeguard all our members, particularly children, young people and vulnerable adults.
- We recognise that safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church community.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the selection, appointment, training and support of those working in both paid and voluntary positions with children or vulnerable adults, including the use of Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) disclosures and making appropriate referrals to the Disclosure and Barring Service.
- We will respond without delay to concerns or allegations that a child or vulnerable adult may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and social care services in any investigation.
- We will challenge any abuse of power by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support to anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them appropriate pastoral support.
- 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 vulnerable adult.

The PCC of this Church agreed and adopted the above Policy at its meeting on 6 July 2020.

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Our safeguarding links are the first people to contact if you have any concerns around the welfare of a child or adult at risk. If there is immediate risk, please contact the police on 101.

Safeguarding Officer

Tom Ansell – <u>safeguarding@stsaviourssunbury.org.uk</u>

If you would prefer to speak to someone outside the church:

London Diocesan Safeguarding Officer
Andy Munro 017551 873943
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NSPCC 0800 1111
Action on Elder Abuse 0808 808 8141
National Domestic Violence Helpline for
Women & Men 0808 200 0247
Stop It Now 0808 1000 900
Family Lives 0808 800 2222