

St Paul's Safeguarding Policy

As members of the PCC we commit our church community to the support, nurture, protection and safeguarding of all, especially the young and vulnerable. We recognise that our work with children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the whole church community. We are fully committed to acting within current legislation, guidance, national frameworks and the Diocesan Safeguarding procedures. We will also act in an open, transparent and accountable way in working in partnership with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Children and Adult Social Care Services, the Police, Probation Services and other agencies to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. We welcome staff and volunteers who are recruited in accordance with House of Bishops' Interim Guidelines on Safer Recruitment 2013. This means we will ensure that those who are employed or who volunteer to work with children, young people and vulnerable adults are suitable for the role, that they know what the role entails and that they are supported in carrying it out.

Diocesan, St Andrews & St Paul's Contacts.

Role	Name	Number
Rector	Joe Dent	(01752) 211 241
Team Vicar	Leon Sim	(07769) 972 993
Diocesan Assistant Safeguarding Adviser	Sarah Miller	(01392) 345 910
Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser	Charles Pitman	(01392) 345 909
St Paul's Safeguarding Representative	Paul Edwards	(07896) 212 866

Police (all non-emergency enquiries)	101
Local Council Children's Services/Social Care	(01752) 308600
Local Emergency Social Work Team	(01752) 346984
NHS 111 service - Non Urgent Health Care	111
Local General Hospital	(01752) 202082
CHILDLINE	(0800) 1111
PARENTLINE PLUS	(0808) 800 222

If you are unable to access the Safeguarding team or it is out of hours or the weekend you can now contact the CCPAS's (Churches Child Protection Advisory Service) helpline: **0845 120 4550. Please ensure that you state clearly that you are calling from the Exeter Diocese when using this facility.**

If you need to talk to someone about abuse that may have happened to you, the Church has worked with the NSPCC to set up a confidential helpline: 0800 389 5344.