

If you have a safeguarding concern please contact:

Local Church Safeguarding Officer:

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Circuit Safeguarding Officer

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National Methodist Safeguarding Team

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NSPCC

0808 800 5000 - Help for adults concerned about a child 0800 1111 - ChildLine on Help for children and young people.

STOP IT NOW

0808 1000 900 for anyone with concerns about child sexual abuse.

Safeguarding

As a church, we take the safety and wellbeing of all people of all ages seriously.

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. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

The Methodist Church is committed to:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults.
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable.
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.

Safeguarding spans a variety of scenarios and situations, covering a sexual, physical or emotional nature as well as neglect and financial abuse. It applies to children, young people and adults who may be at risk of harm or abuse, including on-line activity.

This includes those who access, view or distribute any abusive on-line images.

Information about The Bristol & South Gloucestershire Circuit Safeguarding Policy can be found at: www.bsgc.org.uk/safeguarding

