# This church values every human being as part of God’s creation. Everyone has the right to fair treatment and protection from harm.

Safeguarding

Policy Statement

# This church commits to:

* The creation of a safe environment and culture where all are welcome and everyone feels able to speak out about safeguarding concerns
* Pastoral care for victims and survivors of abuse, and other people who have been affected by safeguarding issues
* A prompt and appropriate response to every safeguarding concern or allegation regardless of status or circumstance
* Risk assessments and safeguarding measures where individuals may present a risk
* Pastoral care for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations
* Safe recruitment of all those who have responsibility for children and adults who may be vulnerable
* The promotion of good safeguarding practice through effective training, guidance, policy and procedures

Safeguarding is Everyone’s Responsibility

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| Reporting safeguarding concerns, help and guidance |
| Local Safeguarding Officers**Jenny Brooks****Email:****jenny.brooks@methodist-churches-northampton.org.uk****Phone:****01604 585226**  |

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| Information about safeguarding |
| This church uses the Safeguarding Policy of the Methodist Church[www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding](http://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding) |
| Location of the church safeguarding policy:**Church Office** |

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| Ministers**Revd Stewart Betts****Revd Rachael Warnock****Revd Yvonne Desroches** |

Contacts

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| Emergency contacts |
| Police 999 |
| Local Authority**MASH: 0300 126 7000** |

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| Helplines |
| Police non-emergency ... 101NSPCC 0808 800 5000Childline 0800 1111Action on Elder Abuse ... 0808 808 8141Family Lives 0808 800 2222National DomesticAbuse Helpline 0808 2000 247Samaritans 116 123 |
| Local helplinesSunflower Centre: 01604 233684Mental Health (urgent):0300 126 1000 2 |