



**The United Benefice of East Leake**  
Costock, Rempstone, Stanford and West Leake

# Safeguarding

Policy Statement on Safeguarding Children, Young People and adults at risk

The Church of England, its archbishops, bishops, clergy and leaders are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church.

**In the United Benefice of East Leake we take our safeguarding responsibilities seriously.**

1. It is the responsibility of both staff, volunteers and members of the congregation to prevent the physical, sexual, emotional or spiritual abuse of children, young people and adults at risk and to report any abuse alleged or suspected.
2. We are committed to supporting, resourcing and training all those who work with children, young people and adults at risk.
3. We will require, where appropriate, everyone directly responsible for children, young people and adults at risk to undergo appropriate DBS checks.
4. We adopt the House of Bishops' national Safeguarding policies and practice; details are available on the Church of England website (<https://churchofengland.org/>)
5. Full copies of the Safeguarding Policy are available in each church.

**If you have any concerns, even if you think it may be nothing, please speak to:**

**Our incumbent:**

Revd Tim Parker (07963 550964)

**Our Local Safeguarding Coordinator:**

Pam Peacock (01509 853397)

**Our Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor:**

Donna Bernard-Carlin (01636 817200)

[donna.bernard-carlin@southwell.anglican.org](mailto:donna.bernard-carlin@southwell.anglican.org)

**Other contact numbers: NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Children's & Adult Social Care: 0300 500 8080 (out of hours 0300 456 4546)**

1. In an emergency, respond immediately. Call 999 for the emergency services.
2. Consult the leader of your group, or the Safeguarding Coordinator, or your incumbent.
3. Decide together whether to seek advice or to make an immediate referral.
4. Make a record of what happened, your concerns and your actions. Sign and date it and pass it on to the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser.