

NETHER DENTON - SAFEGUARDING

The welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults is an absolute priority for the Church. Safeguarding shows God's love in action and in churches demonstrates safety and security, where abuse and mistreatment of others is not tolerated.

<u>Our Priest in Charge</u> Rev. Angela Hughes – Tel. 016977 2478 or email ahughes@webleicester.co.uk	<u>Our Churchwardens</u> Amanda Nixon - Tel. 016977 2488 Allan Cathers - Tel. 016977 41645
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Safeguarding Contacts

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer

Amanda Nixon - Tel. 016977 2488, mobile 079689 83664.


Email: amanda.nixon@tiscali.co.uk

(for safeguarding concerns in respect of children or vulnerable adults)

Our Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser is: **Joanna Van Lachterop - Tel: 07458 016-884**

Email: safeguarding.adviser@carlisle-diocese.org.uk

If you are concerned that someone you know about may be suffering harm please contact:

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Joanna works full-time for the diocese. If she is unavailable and you believe a child may be at immediate risk, you must contact Cumbria Children's Services using the 24 hour number (0333 240 1727) or the police.

Cumbria County Council - Children's Services - 0333 240-1727

Urgent concerns about **vulnerable adults** should be referred to your local District Adult Social Care office (details available on the Cumbria County Council website) or the **Emergency Duty Team: 01228 526690** out of normal office hours.

The (Children's) Early Help Team Telephone: 03003 033896. Email: early.help@cumbria.gov.uk. The Local Authority Designate Officer (LADO) contact details for the **Early Help Team** - Telephone: 03003 033892. Email: LADO@cumbria.gov.uk

Joanna is also happy to answer other questions and provide advice relating to these issues or policies. If you have a complaint about safeguarding in our Carlisle Diocese, we have a diocesan Complaints Procedure and a Whistleblowing Policy.

Safe Spaces

Safe Spaces: an independent service supporting survivors of church-related abuse. Launched in September 2020, this service offers support to survivors of church-related abuse whether or not a report has been made. This independent service is run by the charity Victim Support and funded by the Church of England together with the Catholic Church in England and Wales and the Church in Wales. It is free to access via telephone, email or web-chat.

Tel: 0300 303 1056 (answerphone available outside of opening times)

Email: safespaces@victimsupport.org.uk

WebChat - via the Safe Spaces website

Other Contacts

- NSPCC Child Protection Helpline: [0808 800 5000](tel:0808 800 5000) (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are worried about a child.
- Child-line: [0800 1111](tel:0800 1111) (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are a child or young person and are worried about anything.
- National Domestic Violence Helpline: [0808 2000 247](tel:0808 2000 247) ((lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are experiencing domestic abuse.
- [Samaritans Helpline](tel:116123): 116 123 (open 24 hours). Phone if you feel you are struggling to cope and need someone to talk to.
- Action on Elder Abuse Helpline: [080 8808 8141](tel:08088088141) (free phone Monday to Friday 9-5pm)