



# Chaplaincy Safeguarding Policy Statement

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**Chaplaincy  
information**

Name of Chaplaincy

All Saints, Hérault

Safeguarding Officer name

Steven Hopkins

**In accordance with the Diocese in Europe's Safeguarding Policy, our Chaplaincy is committed to:**

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

**The Chaplaincy will:**

- Endeavour to maintain a safe and healthy church culture through listening well, communicating well, managing power, building effective structures, establishing good governance, and modelling safe behaviours that give equal value to all.
- Have a named local Safeguarding Officer to work with the incumbent and the Chaplaincy Council to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and vulnerable adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Where possible, ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and vulnerable adults undertaken in the name of the chaplaincy.
- Communicate well by displaying in church premises and on the chaplaincy website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs, and ensuring that all volunteers and attendees are aware.
- Listen well to all those who disclose abuse and take appropriate action.
- Take steps to protect children and vulnerable adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops' guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and local child and/or vulnerable adult services immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and vulnerable adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, procedures and practices at least annually.

Date adopted / reaffirmed by the Chaplaincy Council

5 June 2024

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**Declaration**

Chaplain name

Revd Roger Smith

Signature

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

5/6/2024

Churchwarden name

Patricia Bigot

Churchwarden name

Nigel Summersall

Signature

Signature