

DO NOT DELAY

YES

Concerns about an **adult and/or child** involved with your church?

Issue is considered **urgent** and cannot wait until office hours

**Make a referral to:-**

1. Social Care
2. If Social Care are unavailable then inform the police.

Then

1. Inform Parish Priest and Parish Safeguarding Coordinator
2. Advise the Diocesan Safeguarding Team

Discuss with your Parish Safeguarding Coordinator and/or your Parish Priest

Are these Safeguarding Concerns?

Concerns about your **Safeguarding Coordinator**?

Concerns **about anyone who holds an office** in your church (paid or volunteer), including Clergy, someone licenced by the Bishop or employed by the Diocese

Discuss with your Parish Priest and the Diocesan Safeguarding Team

Contact your Parish Priest and / or Parish Safeguarding Coordinator

**Seek support from Diocesan safeguarding team, to make a referral to:**

1. Social Care

Then

1. Feedback to source of concern

**Not referred**:

1. Record reason for decision
2. Feedback to source of concern
3. Discuss outstanding concerns with Diocesan Safeguarding Team

Issue is considered **not** **urgent** and / or is within office hours

NO

**Out of hours safeguarding contacts:**

Social Care: 01208 251300

Police: 101 / 999

**Diocesan Safeguarding Team:** 01872 274351

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**IN THE EVENT OF A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE IN YOUR CHURCH**