



What do I need to know about protecting vulnerable adults?

Everyone, as a citizen, has a responsibility for the safety, well-being and protection of others. Everyone within the church community also has a responsibility to ensure that there is a welcome for all people, including those seen as vulnerable.

Everyone should be alert to situations where those who might be vulnerable are exposed to unacceptable risks. The congregation and church workers need to be clear about the procedures which should be followed when there are concerns about people being harmed or abused.

Not all concerns about the welfare or safety of a vulnerable person need the public authorities to be involved; sometimes it may be that the concern focuses on behaviour and attitudes that are not immediately harmful and then the matter should be dealt with through training or discussion. The choices of the adult concerned should if at all possible be accepted. The response to any concerns should always be proportionate and appropriate to the issue.

Want to know more?

Please see the full “Policy and Procedures for the Safeguarding of Vulnerable Adults in our Churches” for full information.

The Diocese of Leicester provides supporting documents on their website <https://www.leicester.anglican.org/about/safeguarding/>

Who do I contact if I have any concerns or questions?

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