Vale of Aylesbury
Methodist Circuit

What to do if you have a safeguarding concern….

Urgent concerns about a child, young person or adult and an **immediate response** is required.

Refer directly to

In an emergency – Police or Ambulance: 999
Police non-emergency: 101

Social Care Services:
Safeguarding Adults Service: 01865 328232
Safeguarding Children: 0345 050 7666
Out of office hours: 0800 833 408

Childline: 0800 1111

and

Speak to someone in your Church or the Circuit about your concern and complete the Circuit referral form available on the website:

Church Safeguarding Officer:
[Insert name and contact details here]

Your Minister:
[Insert name and contact details here]

Circuit Superintendent:
Richard Atkinson 01296 339899
revrja@outlook.com

The Circuit Safeguarding Team:
Dawn Wright and **Louise Atkinson**

voamethodistsafeguarding@gmail.com

Concerns about a child, young person or adult in **need** or **at risk of harm. Or** about **anyone** or **anything** that may put someone else or you at risk of harm (in groups, someone attending church etc,)

Reporting your concern:

- Your role is not to investigate
- Always put the wellbeing of the child or adult first when deciding what to do
- Listen carefully – make a clear record of what you are concerned about and what you have seen or heard; date and time this record.
- If in doubt share the information that you have with someone who has a safeguarding role and who you trust.
- If you continue to have concerns: keep raising them and speak to someone else listed.

Refer directly to Safeguarding Officers

Concerns about people in positions of authority.

Or

If your concern is around the behaviour of a leader speak directly to the
District Safeguarding Team:
safeguarding@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk

Or Gill Crippen: 07722 024250
gill.crippen@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk

Sue Ioannou: 07543 712920
sue.ioannou@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk

For more information refer to:
www.aylesburyvale.org.uk/

OR www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/