

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

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

Social Care Services:

Safeguarding Adults Team: 0800 137915

safeguardingadults@bucksscc.gov.uk

First Response: 01296 383962

secure-cypfirstresponse@bucksscc.gov.uk

Childline: 0800 1111

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/