

St George's works hard to safeguard children and young people, vulnerable adults and those in abusive relationships

Our Parish Safeguarding Officers are:

**The Revd Barry Hengist: Tel 020 8654 8747 or 07947 068209**

**Mike Bloss: Tel 020 8656 9008**

**Susan Wheeler: Tel 020 8777 5271**

**Email: Parish Safeguarding Officer [vicarstgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:vicarstgeorge@gmail.com)**

**You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 020 7939 9423 or, in an emergency, 07982 279713**

**If a child or vulnerable adult is in immediate danger call 999**

We aim to create a safe environment where children and young people are nurtured and protected and where all people, and especially those who may be vulnerable for any reason, are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety.

To this end St George's follows the policies and guidelines set out in the Diocesan publication *A Safe Church*, a copy of which can be accessed [here](#)  
Click [here](#) to view the church's policies and protocols on

- Safeguarding Children and Young People
- Safeguarding Adults who may be Vulnerable
- Domestic Abuse Policy
- E-Safety Protocols
- Whistle-blowing

St George's follows the national legal and procedural framework for safeguarding children and vulnerable adults and Church of England policy and practice. We will respond promptly to any complaints made and will always work in close partnership with the diocesan safeguarding team, police and social care services where children or vulnerable adults have been harmed or are at risk of harm or mistreatment. Our primary aim is to provide safe recruitment, training and support to our voluntary and paid workers with children and vulnerable adults.

### **Social Care Institute of Excellence (SCIE)**

The Church of England's National Safeguarding Team has commissioned the Social Care Institute of Excellence (SCIE) to help improve how the Church treats people who have been abused or are at risk of harm. It is seeking the views of people with first-hand experience to find out what a good response from the Church should look like. The results of this survey will complement learning from independent audits by SCIE of safeguarding arrangements in all Church of England dioceses across the country. Information on this survey can be found [here](#)