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Reporting a safeguarding concern

Any safeguarding concerns in a parish should be brought to the attention of your local Parish Safeguarding Officer(s) (PSO) Christine Ritson (01254 233839/07904188652) in the first instance, who can seek further advice from Sharon Hassall, the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA), as necessary.

Safeguarding concerns in a school/university/prison/healthcare setting should be raised with the relevant organisation's Safeguarding team. If the concern involves one of our chaplains, please also contact Sharon Hassall direct.



Parish Safeguarding Officer

Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)
Christine Ritson
T: 01254 233839/07904188652

Diocesan Safeguarding Team

The following staff are based at the Diocesan Offices at the following Address: Clayton House, Walker Office Park, Blackburn, BB1 2QE Telephone 01254 503070



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Safeguarding Administrator

Julie Grimshaw

Julie is the central point of contact for all enquiries relating to training and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS)

Julie works part-time and is usually in the office 8:15am – 4:15pm Monday to Thursday.

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Links to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be found here:

<https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/diocesan-safeguarding-team>

<https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/reporting-a-safeguarding-concern>

Finding support

We understand reporting abuse may be very difficult and that not everyone may want to contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. Below is a list of other agencies that are available to assist either on a 24-hour basis or through specialist helplines and services:

NSPCC Child Protection Helpline: [0808 800 5000](tel:08088005000) (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are worried about a child.

Child-line: [0800 1111](tel:08001111) (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are a child or young person and are worried about anything.

National Domestic Violence Helpline: [0808 2000 247](tel:08082000247) (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are experiencing domestic abuse.

Samaritans Helpline: 116 123 (open 24 hours). Phone if you feel you are struggling to cope and need someone to talk to.

Action on Elder Abuse Helpline: [080 8808 8141](tel:08088088141) (free phone Monday to Friday 9-5pm).