

Safeguarding Information on Parish Websites

Minimum Requirements

Safeguarding arrangements

A parish website must have a page/section called 'Safeguarding' which should include:

- The contact details of a local person/s who can offer safeguarding help and who knows how to respond appropriately to a safeguarding concern or allegation. This could be a phone number or email for the Parish Safeguarding officer, the incumbent or someone who is trained to respond to Safeguarding concerns. For example: John Smith, safeguarding@stjohnschurch.co.uk
- The details of how to contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team: safeguarding@bristoldiocese.org or 0117 9060100

There are two options:

1. To display the safeguarding arrangements on the front page
2. To provide a 'Safeguarding' link on the front page.

With option 2, the 'Safeguarding' link should be displayed in a prominent location (not hidden behind a menu). The safeguarding arrangements should be clearly visible once the link is clicked (without the need to click through to anything else).

If a parish has its own website, the 'front page' means the home page.

If a parish shares a website with other parishes, there are two choices. The 'front page' can mean:

- The home page of the website; or
- The main page for the parish.

The above 'minimum requirements' do not apply to [A Church Near You](#), community websites or social media pages

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Other information on parish websites

In addition to the ‘minimum requirements’, consider displaying:

- “Call 999 if a child or adult is in immediate danger of significant or serious harm”
- A link to the [parish safeguarding policy](#)
- A link to the [safeguarding section of the diocesan website](#)

The phone numbers and websites to the following places:

- Safe Spaces – 0300 303 1056 [Home - Safe Spaces England and Wales](#)
- NSPCC – 0808 800 5000 [NSPCC | The UK children's charity | NSPCC](#)
- Childline – 0800 1111 [Childline | Childline](#)
- Stop it Now – 0808 1000 900 <https://www.stopitnow.org.uk/>
- NAPAC – 0808 801 0331 [NAPAC - Supporting Recovery From Childhood Abuse](#)
- Samaritans – 116 123 [Samaritans | Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy | Here to listen](#)
- Family Lives – 0808 800 2222 [Parenting and Family Support | Family Lives](#)
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline – 0808 2000 247 [Homepage - National Domestic Abuse Helpline](#)

A Church Near You

Every parish has its own section on [A Church Near You](#) which can be updated by a local editor. Whether or not the church has its own website, we encourage you to add a ‘Safeguarding’ page to the parish section on A Church Near You.

Community websites

If the church has a page on a community website, consider displaying some safeguarding information there too.

Social media

If the church has a page on Facebook or other social media sites, we encourage you to add safeguarding contact information or a link to this information.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your [Diocesan Safeguarding Team](#)