

Ely Cathedral Safeguarding Statement

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy and National Safeguarding Standards 2023, Ely Cathedral is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the whole Church.

Ely Cathedral is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
 - Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
 - Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
 - Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
 - Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
 - Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.
- Church of England Safeguarding Statement, Promoting a Safer Church (2017).

The Cathedral will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Cathedral Safeguarding Officer to work with the Dean and Chapter to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the Cathedral.
- Display in Cathedral premises and on the Cathedral website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse (including non-recent abuse).
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the Cathedral community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Adhere to its Whistleblowing Policy.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Every person who works or volunteers within this Cathedral community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this cathedral in accordance with Church of England policy and practice.

*Loving God, we pray that this cathedral church may be a place of welcome, security and compassion.
Keep us watchful yet caring, trusting yet ready to question, that all who worship here may do so in safety and in the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Where to find help in the Cathedral



The Dean
The Very Revd Mark Bonney (Clergy)
Tel: 01353 660316
email: mark.bonney@elycathedral.org



Cathedral Safeguarding Adviser
Lisa Pearson (independent of Cathedral)
Tel: 01353 652747
email: lisa.pearson@elydiocese.org



Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser
Rebecca Boswell (independent of Cathedral)
Tel: 01353 652731
email: rebecca.boswell@elydiocese.org



Departmental Safeguarding Officer - Education & Learning
Canon Jessica Martin (Clergy)
Tel: 01353 660304
email: jessica.martin@elycathedral.org



Departmental Safeguarding Officer
Music and Worship / King's Ely
Canon James Garrard (Clergy)
Tel: 01353 660335
email: james.garrard@elycathedral.org



Safeguarding Officer - Senior Management Team
Jonathan Bell (Non-Clergy)
Tel: 01353 660308
email: jonathan.bell@elycathedral.org



Chapter Safeguarding Lead
Canon James Reveley (Clergy)
Tel: 01353 660302
email: james.reveley@elycathedral.org

If you are unsure who to ring, any of the people above will be able to help you.

Further help and guidance

NSPCC for adults concerned about a child - 0808 800 5000

Childline for children and young people - 0800 1111

Action on Elder Abuse helpline - 080 8808 8141

24-hour National Domestic Violence helpline - 0808 2000 247

NAPAC offer support and advice to adult survivors of childhood abuse - 0808 801 0331

Mankind for male victims of domestic abuse - 01823 334 244

Stop It Now preventing child sexual abuse - 0808 1000 900

Cruse bereavement helpline - 0808 808 1677

Family Lives support and advice on family issues - 0808 800 222

MACSAS for people who have been abused by church officers - 0808 801 0340

Samaritans for people struggling to cope and needing someone to talk to - 116 123

Safe Spaces - support for anyone who has experienced abuse within the Church of England - 0300 303 105