



POLICY ON SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE 2024

Members of the Beach Life team commit themselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of the children and young people in their care.

- It is the responsibility of all team members to do their best to prevent the physical, sexual, spiritual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse, alleged or suspected.
- Beach Life Team Applicants will need to have a recommendation of their suitability from their Church Leader.
- Beach Life is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people. It will provide supervision for leaders as it recognises this is important in maintaining good practice.
- Beach Life provides everyone working with children or young people Safeguarding Training offered at the Beach Life training day. A pocket size Guide to Safeguarding will be given to each member of the team.
- Beach Life has adopted the Safeguarding Guidelines set out in the Diocese of Norwich Parish Safeguarding Handbook (dioceseofnorwich.org).
- Beach Life will ensure that all those who have regular contact with children under the age of 18 years obtain a DBS 'Enhanced Disclosure' and complete a Confidential Declaration before they become team members. These will be renewed in accordance with the guidelines.
- The Beach Life committee will accept responsibility for the appointment of team members and will ensure that each person who has contact with children under the age of 18 years reads a copy of this policy statement and is familiar with the Safeguarding guidelines. Young Leaders age 15-17 years will be given appropriate training and supervision. Team members will be required to sign a Code of Conduct form.
- If an incident is reported on church premises the minister of that church will be informed so they can act within their church's guidelines.
- This policy will be reviewed annually by the Beach Life Committee and Church Leaders and included in the Age Group file so that team members have access to the policy.

The Named Person for Safeguarding is:

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