

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults' Statement

This church believes that children and vulnerable adults must be protected from harm at all times.

We believe every child and vulnerable adult should be valued and safe. We want to make sure those children and vulnerable adults with whom we have contact, know this, and are empowered to tell us if they are suffering harm.

We want children and vulnerable adults who use or have contact with this church to enjoy what we have to offer in safety.

We want parents and carers who use or attend our church to be supported to care for their child or vulnerable adult in a way that promotes the health, well-being and safety of their child or vulnerable adult.

We want organisations who work with or commission work from us, or who provide funding to us to have confidence in us and recognise that we are a safe church.

We will achieve this by having an effective safeguarding procedure and by following local and national guidance.

If we discover or suspect a children or vulnerable adult is suffering harm as defined in our Safeguarding Policy we will notify the ministry leader, who will then notify the Safeguarding Officer who will take appropriate action as outlined in our safeguarding procedures.

This Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults' Statement and our Safeguarding Policy and procedures apply to all staff, volunteers and users of Kerith Community Church and anyone carrying out any work for us or using our premises.

We will review our Safeguarding Policy and procedures at least every 2 years to make sure they remain relevant and effective.

Signed: 

Senior Pastor, Kerith Community Church

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