

# SAFEGUARDING IS A PRIORITY HERE

At St Oswald's Church, we are committed to the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults and to good working practice in this regard. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) have therefore adopted the House of Bishop's' Safeguarding Policy "Promoting a Safer Church". We also follow guidance from the Diocese of St Albans and Thirtyone:eight (formerly Churches Child Protection Advisory Service), including that concerning the safe recruitment of workers and volunteers. Policies concerning safeguarding matters are on display in the Church and available on the website ([www.stoswaldschurch.org.uk](http://www.stoswaldschurch.org.uk)) or may be viewed on request.

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of a child or of a vulnerable adult, please speak to Val Edwards, the Parish Safeguarding Officer, the Vicar or to one of the Safeguarding Team appointed by the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

## The Safeguarding Team



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### Other Useful Contacts

Thirtyone:eight: 0303 003 11 11  
(formerly The Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service)  
Hertfordshire Children's Services: 0300 123 4043  
Hertfordshire Adult and Community Services: 0300 123 4042  
**In case of emergency, contact the Police on 999**