

# We are committed to being a safe Church. Do you need help?

As followers of Jesus, we believe that every person is made in God's image. We want to create spaces where everyone knows they will be safe, especially from abuse of any kind. This poster details what to do if you suspect abuse, or if abuse is disclosed to you.

**If you suspect abuse, or someone tells you about abuse, firstly listen, and secondly, know who to call.**

- Firstly, if any person is in immediate danger to life, emergency services should be called on 111.
- Ask for the person's permission, and take that information to the Vicar / Ministry Unit Leader or Diocesan Safety Team (see below).
- If the person does not give you permission, you must still ring the Diocesan Safety Team to ask for advice without naming the person. They know what to do and will be able to guide you.
- If your concern relates to the Vicar / Leader, call the Diocesan Safety Team. They are available at all times to give advice and assistance.

**If you are experiencing abuse, here are some things you can do.**

- If you are in immediate danger, please call the emergency services on 111.
- If there's someone you trust, contact them, and ask for their help to get you help
- Contact the Diocesan Safety Team (see below)
- Contact the Anglican Province who have a dedicated team who can receive complaints and reports of abuse from within the Anglican Church. Their email is [registrar@anglicanchurch.org.nz](mailto:registrar@anglicanchurch.org.nz). More information can be found on the Anglican Church website [www.anglican.org.nz/complaints](http://www.anglican.org.nz/complaints)
- Call the Victims Information Line on 0800 650 654

## Diocesan Safety Team

The team is led by Rev. Jean Malcolm and Roger Wigglesworth.

Contact [safety@anglicanmovement.nz](mailto:safety@anglicanmovement.nz) or

Contact Jean at [jean@anglicanmovement.nz](mailto:jean@anglicanmovement.nz) or 021 294 2122

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