

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is something that concerns everybody within the Methodist Church, because not only is safeguarding everyone's responsibility, it is at the core of our faith and the mission of the Methodist Church. The Methodist Church believes, along with the whole Christian community, that every single individual has value and dignity, which comes from the creation of us all in God's image and likeness. Therefore, we have a duty to protect people from harm.

Bingley Methodist Church is committed to the work of safeguarding and we are proud of the principles embodied in the Methodist Church's policy. It is our hope that safeguarding is undertaken with a smile and that those who need help will feel respected, listened to, and understood. We also hope that, even in the most difficult of times, a place of safety and support can be offered to create safer spaces for all.

If you have concerns and need to speak to someone about a safeguarding matter, please contact one of the following people:

Circuit Safeguarding Officer - Eileen Jowitt
Email: safeguarding@airedalemethodists.org

District Safeguarding Officer - Sue Wishart
Tel: 01422 370417 / 07875 195977
Email: wisharts@dso.methodist.org.uk

District Safeguarding Officer - Barbara Hutchinson
Tel: 01484 546664 / 07950 832193
Email: hutchinsonb@dso.methodist.org.uk

Bingley Church Minister – Rev. Terry Keen

Tel: 01274 568163

Email: terry.keen@airedalemethodists.org

The following information may be useful:

Emergency Contacts: Police - 999

Local Authority (Bradford): During office hours: Children - 01274 435600 Adults – 01274 431077

Out of hours: Emergency Duty Team – 01274 431010

Police non-emergency ... 101

NSPCC 0808 800 5000

Childline 0800 1111

Action on Elder Abuse ... 0808 808 8141

Family Lives 0808 800 2222

National Domestic Abuse Helpline0808 2000 247

Samaritans 116 123