

Hiring a room at Allhallowgate Methodist Church, Ripon

We are glad to serve the community of Ripon by opening our premises to members of the community for various uses. It is vitally important to us that everyone is safe on our premises so please read this statement and the safeguarding policy. A copy of the full safeguarding policy of this church is available at the entrance and also in the room you are using, along with safeguarding contacts for this church.

OUR SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of humans in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Principles

We are committed to:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.

We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with safer recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with¹ the relevant vetting and barring schemes.

We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that any child, young person or adult may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.

We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.

We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.

We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our Church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.

I/we have read the above statement and know where to find the full safeguarding policy and contacts.

Signed

Organisation

Date(s) of booking
