

## National Safeguarding Communications 2020

### National Safeguarding Adults Week 2020

Merton Priory Churches are supporting National Safeguarding Adults Week **#SafeguardingAdultsWeek** to make people aware of the different types of abuse that some people experience.

National Adult Safeguarding week starts on Monday 16 November – is an excellent opportunity to promote adult safeguarding and the work that organisations are doing to protect residents across our community.

Adult safeguarding means protecting an adult's right to live in safety, free from abuse and neglect. The Care Act 2014, describes 10 forms of adult abuse – they are:

1. physical
2. domestic
3. sexual
4. psychological
5. financial and material
6. modern slavery
7. neglect
8. discriminatory
9. organisational and
10. self-neglect.

Adults at risk of abuse are people over 18, who are unable to protect themselves due to age, or disability.

Research by Action on Elder Abuse suggests that as many as one in eleven older people in the UK are mistreated or neglected by those they trust the most. Abuse can happen anywhere – in a person's home, in the street, in a residential or nursing home, at a day centre or resource centre, in a hospital or indeed any place where an adult at risk might be.

The purpose of National Safeguarding Adults Week is to raise awareness about adult abuse, so that everyone can spot the signs and know how to report safeguarding concerns.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID restrictions, we are unable to plan any face to face events or circulate any leaflets or posters.

So, this year we are putting all our hard work into our social media campaign for each days key theme:

- **Monday** – Safeguarding and Wellbeing
- **Tuesday** –Adult Grooming
- **Wednesday** – Understanding Legislation
- **Thursday** – Creating Safer Places
- **Friday** – Organisational Abuse
- **Saturday** – Sport & Activity
- **Sunday** – Safeguarding in Your Community

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your Parish Safeguarding Officer, Jeremy Roberts, who can be contacted at [safeguarding@stjohnsw19.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stjohnsw19.org.uk).

## Twitter Schedule

DAY	SUBJECT	TWEET	RESOURCES
Monday 16 November	<b>Safeguarding and Wellbeing</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> <b>#SafeguardingandWellbeing</b> There's a strong link between safeguarding and mental and physical wellbeing. If someone's wellbeing is suffering, they may consider certain actions that put them at risk. Don't be afraid to ask: "Are you ok?"	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Tuesday 17 November	<b>Adult Grooming</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> <b>#AdultGrooming</b> is a form of abuse that involves manipulating someone until they're isolated, dependent, and more vulnerable to exploitation.	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Wednesday 18 November	<b>Understanding Legislation</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> All safeguarding matters are governed by certain legislation, including The Care Act and The Mental Capacity Act. But how well do you really understand safeguarding legislation?	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Thursday 19 November	<b>Creating Safer Places</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> <b>#CreatingSaferPlaces</b> focuses on safeguarding at a grassroots level. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We're asking you to consider: "What's my role in safeguarding?"	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Friday 20 November	<b>Organisational Abuse</b>	Organisational Abuse is one of the themes for this year's <b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> <b>#organisationalabuse</b> takes place in many forms, including lack of choice, strict inflexible routines and no respect for religion, belief and culture. We're supporting Safeguarding Adults Week, are you?	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Saturday 21 November	<b>Sport and Activity</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> Safeguarding Adults is a responsibility for every sport and physical organisation. Getting it right ensures wider and safer participation in sport and activity for all.	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>
Sunday 22 November	<b>Safeguarding in your Community</b>	<b>#SafeguardingAdultsWeek</b> We all have a responsibility to be there for each other, and to look out for each other. We want communities to come together and to recognise our shared responsibilities towards keeping each other safe.	<a href="#">Ann Craft Trust Resources</a>