

What's Happening on North Street Safeguarding



Geoff Etherton is the nominated Safeguarding representative for What's Happening on North Street

If you have any concerns regarding safeguarding, then please contact Geoff on 07585-172526. Please note this phone is switched off outside of working hours, but a short message may be left.

Out of Hours Contact & Number for Safeguarding:
Ms Gill Clayton: 07341 773728
safeguarding@chestokemethodists.com

You can also contact Geoff in person or via email: geoffetherton@gmail.com

If the risk is URGENT and IMMEDIATE – dial 999

Cheshire East Council Social Services:

Cheshire East Children's Assessment Team: 0300 123 5012 (8:30am to 5:00pm)
At all other times contact our Social Care Out of Hours Team on 0300 123 5022

HELPLINE CONTACT NUMBERS:

Childline	0800 1111
Stop it Now	0808 100 0900
Action on Elder Abuse	0808 808 8141
National Domestic Abuse	0800 200 0247

Statement of Safeguarding Principles

We are committed to:

The care, nurture, and respect of all children, young people and adults

The Safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults

The establishing of a safe and trusting environment which provides opportunity for victims of abuse to report or disclose past or current abuse, and where they can find support and best practice that contributes to the prevention of current and future abuse

To this end:

We will carefully select, support and train all those with any responsibility within What's Happening on North Street, in line with the principles of Safer Recruitment.

We recognise that abuse takes many forms including physical, emotional, psychological, sexual and domestic abuse, and that neglect is a form of abuse.

We will respond without delay to every disclosure that any adult, child or young person may have been harmed, co-operating fully with the police and other authorities in any investigation.

We will seek to offer informed pastoral care and support to anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate relationship that recognises the importance of understanding the needs of those who have been abused, including their feelings of alienation and/or isolation.

We will seek to protect survivors of abuse from the possibility of further harm and abuse.

We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of respect and responsibility, where they are trusted by others.

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

In all these principles, we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice.