

BESSELS GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH (BGBC)

PROTECTION OF ADULTS AT RISK POLICY

1. As the church family at BGBC we commit ourselves to the safeguarding of adults at risk and ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
2. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of adults at risk and to report any such abuse that we discover, or suspect or which is disclosed to us.
3. We are dedicated to the pastoral care and support of anyone who has ever experienced abuse.
4. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection process of those who will work / have the potential to work with adults at risk, in both paid and voluntary positions.
5. BGBC is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who undertake this work.
6. BGBC endorses the guidelines laid down for the protection of adults at risk in “Safe to Belong 2015”, published by the Baptist Union of Great Britain. This can be seen at http://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/450987/Safe_to_Belong.aspx
7. Each person who works or has the potential to work with adults at risk in both paid and voluntary positions will agree to abide by the “Safe to Belong” Adults at Risk policy guidelines and any further recommendations made by BGBC.
8. BGBC appoints the following individual, (position vacant) to be the Designated Person for Safeguarding and to be responsible for representing the concerns and views of adults at risk at our meetings and to outside bodies and the person (s) to contact for any concerns or questions regarding protecting adults at risk.