



# Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Spiritans, British Province

## Safeguarding Commission

# Policy Statement

- Our British province recognises the personal dignity and rights of children and vulnerable adults towards whom it has a special responsibility and duty of care.
- Our British province undertakes to do all in its power to create a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults and prevent their physical, sexual or emotional abuse.
- The Spiritans, British province, Safeguarding Commission will liaise closely with statutory agencies to ensure that any allegations of abuse are promptly and fairly dealt with and perpetrators held to account.
- Our British province will support victims of Spiritan/ clergy abuse. It will also give support to Spiritan/ clergy who are found to be victims of false allegations.

**If you have any concerns about the welfare of children or vulnerable adults please contact one of the following:**

**Fr. Terkura Igbe, CSSp.**

Provincial Safeguarding Coordinator

M: 0740 580 5128 E: [safeguarding@spiritans.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@spiritans.co.uk)

**Your Parish Safeguarding Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Police Tel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Social Services:**

Children Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Vulnerable Adults Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

**National Childline.** Tel: 0800 1111

**NSPCC.** Tel: 0808 800 5000

**Stop It Now!** Tel: 0808 1000 900

**Action on Elder Abuse.** Tel: 0808 808 8141