

Appendix 1

Safeguarding Statement

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS POLICY STATEMENT

Armstrong Hall Christian Fellowship

The following statement was agreed by the leadership on 1st September 2026

Our Commitment

This organisation is committed to safeguarding of children and adults at risk of harm and promoting their well-being.

We recognise that everyone has a responsibility to help prevent harm, abuse and neglect

We respect the dignity, rights and wellbeing of every child and adult. Our policies and procedures reflect this commitment.

We believe everyone should be able to take part in the life and activities of the organisation in a safe and welcoming environment.

We are committed to recruiting workers and volunteers safely and responsibly.

We believe every child and adult should be valued, safe, respected and supported.

We want everyone who comes into contact with our organisation to know they can speak up if they are worried about harm, abuse or neglect.

We are committed to:

- Following statutory denominational and specialist guidelines.
- Following the procedures in our safeguarding policy.
- Meeting the requirements of all relevant legislation.
- Providing training and supporting for workers and volunteers.
- keeping up to date with national and local safeguarding developments.
- Making sure workers and volunteers understand their safeguarding responsibilities.
- Supporting people affected by abuse.

We recognise:

- Children's Social Services have responsibility for investigating concerns about a children.
- Adult Social Care have responsibility for investigating concerns about an adults at risk of harm.
- The police should be contacted if a concern may involve a criminal offence.
- Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Review

We will review this safeguarding statement and our safeguarding policy every year.

Safeguarding Contacts

If you are worried about a child or adult, contact one of the people below:

Clare Packer, Safeguarding Lead

Stewart Evans, Deputy Safeguarding Lead

A copy of the safeguarding policy is available online at www.armstronghall.org.uk and in the Safeguarding file in the Armstrong Hall porch.

Signed on behalf of the leadership

Signed ____

Date 1/9/2026