

Circuit Safeguarding Report

For the Circuit Leadership meeting/Circuit Meeting (date)

“It is the responsibility of each Circuit Meeting to appoint a Circuit Safeguarding Officer and there should be no gaps in this crucial provision. Ultimate responsibility for safeguarding within the circuit lies with the Circuit Meeting. The circuit meeting holds the following responsibilities.” (*Model Circuit Safeguarding Policy June 2023*)

Circuit Safeguarding Responsibilities	Feedback from the Circuit Superintendent Update since (date of previous report)
Ensure that all churches have appropriate and up-to-date safeguarding policies in place.	
Support those in pastoral charge in exercising responsibility for the implementation of safeguarding policy and practice.	
Ensure the provision of pastoral support for those involved in issues of abuse and in the management of those who present a safeguarding risk.	
Ensure that training opportunities are in place for all workers with children, vulnerable adults, for staff of the circuit and for members of the local churches in the circuit, in accordance with Appendix 9 of the Methodist Church Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Guidance	
Ensure that the Circuit Meeting appoints a circuit safeguarding officer/s and that the details of each person are submitted as part of the annual safeguarding data return	
Ensure that the Circuit Meeting reviews their safeguarding policy annually.	
Support the circuit safeguarding officer (Adults) and the circuit safeguarding officer (Children) in their work, providing access to resources to enable them to fulfil their functions.	