

As a Single Congregation LEP, we have decided to follow and abide by the safeguarding policy and procedures of the United Reformed Church.	Partnership Council= Trustees
Partnership Council (PC) of West Swindon and Lydiard Tregoze Church partnership has appointed joint Partnership Safeguarding coordinator and Deputies.	Chris Scarisbrick, Julie Scarisbrick Rebecca Kershaw, Andy Vernon And many more...
It is the duty of the PC to refer allegations that meet the criteria in respect of volunteers or paid staff, lay or Ordained, who work with children to the Local Authority Designated Officer. They also have a duty to report relevant matters to the Disclosure and Barring Service and to the Charity Commission. The initial decision whether to refer shall be made by the PC Safeguarding coordinator, and /or their deputies in consultation with The URC Safeguarding Officer.	Jan Murphy
All trustees will be informed of any referral and the reasons for it so that they can appropriately manage risk to beneficiaries of the charity and any potential reputational risk.	Partnership Council
The URC Safeguarding Officer will notify other denominational Safeguarding Officers/Advisors if any such referral is made.	Adam Bond (Bristol Diocese, Church of England) Kevin Maidment (Bristol District , Methodist Church)
If allegations concern an Ordained Minister or authorised lay minister, the detail of the allegations will be reported by the relevant Denominational Safeguarding Officer/Advisor to the appropriate Bishop/Moderator.	