

# DO

- Treat all children with respect and dignity.
- Provide a Christian example you wish others to follow and maintain a healthy Christian lifestyle.
- Provide an example of good conduct that you wish others to follow.
- Ensure that there are at least two adults present during activities with children and young people, or at least that you are within sight or hearing of others.
- Respect personal privacy.
- Ensure that another adult is informed if a worker needs to take a child to the toilet.
- Be aware that physical contact with a child or young person may be misinterpreted.
- Challenge unacceptable behaviour and report all allegations/suspicions of abuse.
- Recognise that special caution is required in moments when you are discussing sensitive issues with children or young people.
- Operate within the organisation's principles and guidance.

# DON'T

- Ever hit a child or young person.
- Play rough, physical or sexually provocative games.
- Touch inappropriately or obtrusively.
- Show favouritism to any one child, young person or group.
- Give lifts to children on their own. If it is unavoidable ask the child to sit in the back of the vehicle.
- Invite a child or young person to the youth leader/worker's home alone.
- Permit abusive peer activities e.g. initiation ceremonies, ridiculing, bullying.
- Allow unknown adults access to children. A known person should always accompany visitors.

## USEFUL TEL. NOS.

**My priest**.....

**Our parish independent person**.....

**My Social Services area**.....

**Social Services** – out of hours.....0116 255 1606

**Police Child Protection Unit**.....0116 248 4842

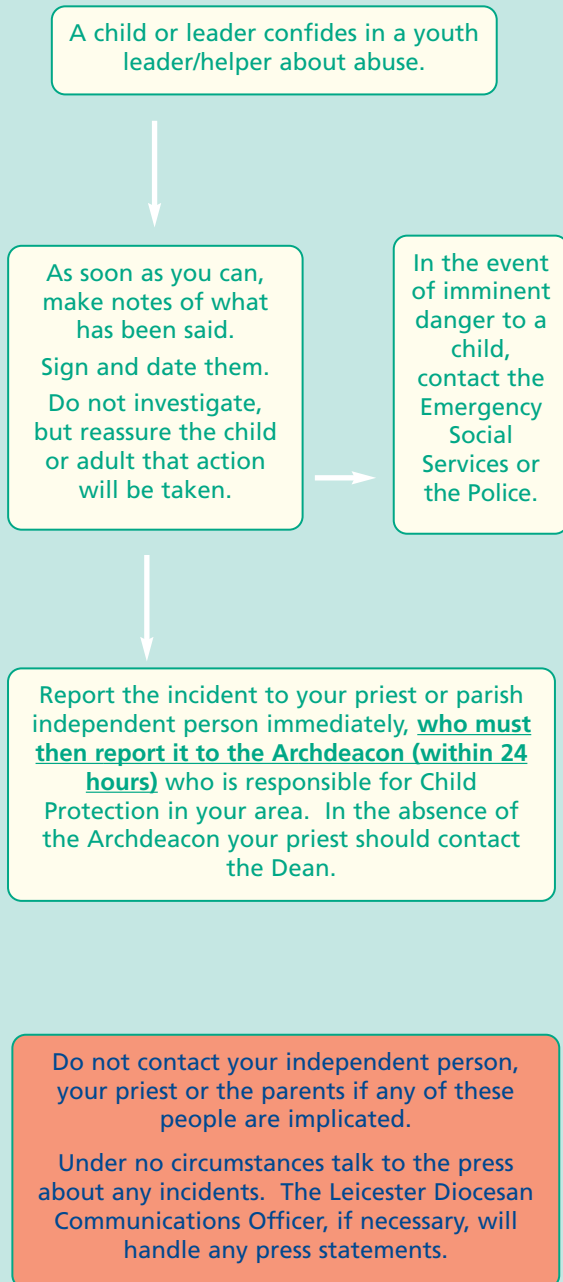
**Police** – out of hours .....0116 222 2222

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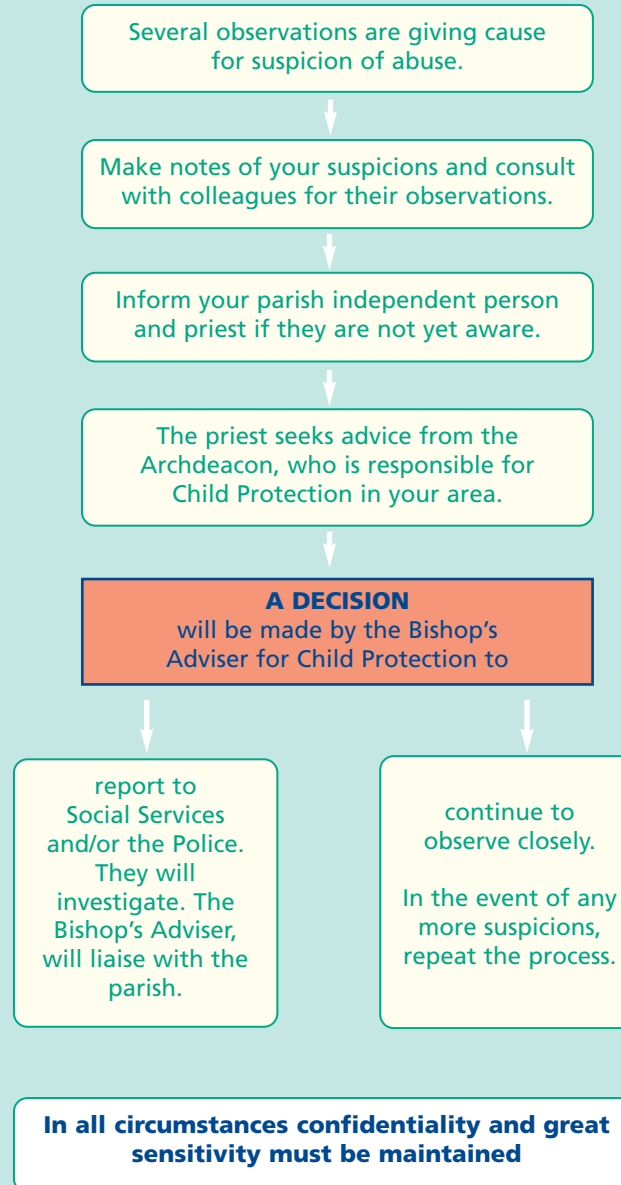
# A Pocket Guide to SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN



## Action to take if there is an allegation of abuse



## Action to take if you are concerned or it comes to your notice that someone may be committing abuse



## Action to take if a person who is subject to investigation or has been convicted for child abuse is attending your church

