



SAFEGUARDING POLICY - Statement

This statement was adopted at a core meeting held on **14 August 2017**.

It will be presented each year to a core meeting usually held in the month of June where progress in carrying it out will be monitored.

The vision of SurviveAlive Youthworks (SA) is: “Physical and Spiritual wellbeing” and in fulfilling this vision we all recognise our responsibility for the safeguarding and well-being of all children, young people under the age of 18 and adults at risk of harm, regardless of gender, ethnicity or ability.

As Christians we are charged to love and care for each other. This is particularly true where the most vulnerable members of our community are concerned. We believe that being part of the Christian family of the church places responsibilities on all who attend SurviveAlive Youthworks camps or activities, to ensure that the environment is safe for everyone.

We recognise that it is the duty of all of us to foster relationships of the utmost integrity. It is up to each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual, psychological, discriminatory, financial, neglect or acts of omission and spiritual abuse of all and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect to one of the designated people, who will act accordingly.

We commit ourselves to the safeguarding, nurturing, protection and respect of all children, young people and adults as individuals and promote their well-being in every way; and will pray for them regularly. We also adopt the full safeguarding policy including a code of behaviour for all who are appointed to work with children, youth and adults at risk.

SurviveAlive Youthworks will fully co-operate with any statutory investigation into any suspected abuse linked with SurviveAlive Youthworks. SA will seek to ensure that the behaviour of any who may pose a risk to anyone in the community of the camp is managed appropriately; and will exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of all workers.

Alex Lamb and Derek Thomas are the Designated Persons for Safeguarding and have overall responsible for representing the concerns and views of children and youth and also of adults at risk at our meetings and to outside bodies. They also are the people to contact for any concerns or questions regarding protecting children youth or adults at risk of harm.

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Date: **14 August 2017**