

GUIDANCE ON HANDLING MEDIA ENQUIRIES

If they become public, safeguarding issues that arise at your Church, whether serious or minor, are likely to attract significant interest from the media. If such an event were to arise, you are advised not to speak to the media in the first instance. The Methodist Church has a Media Officer who is based at Methodist Church House in London and you should direct all enquiries to the Connexional Safeguarding Team at Methodist Church House who will liaise with Media Officer.

In the absence of the Media Officer, the District Safeguarding Officer should be contacted. (The District Safeguarding Officer should have been contacted immediately the incident occurred or was made known.)

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District Safeguarding Officer – 07702-793553 - donald_u@yahoo.com