

**The Diocese of Lincoln safeguarding team** is striving to ensure that truth and justice are sought for all those whose lives have been impacted upon by past abuse or by the poor handling of past allegations. Any survivors, or those with information about Church-related abuse, are invited to come forward with confidence that the Diocese will treat them seriously and sensitively.

**Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser**, Penny Turner on 077432522412 or Debbie Johnson if Penny is not available. [Safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:Safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org)

**The Diocese has a specialist independent domestic and sexual violence advocate**, her name is Gemma Marks-Good E: [gemma.marks-good@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:gemma.marks-good@lincoln.anglican.org) T: 01522504079

**A specialist national helpline Tel 0800 80 20 20** has been set up to operate independently of the church. The Helpline is operated by the NSPCC although it is not only to report child abuse. The helpline has been specially commissioned so that anyone can use it to raise concerns regarding abuse within the Church of England context; whether they are reporting issues relating to children, adults or seeking to whistle blow about poor safeguarding practice.

### **Specialist Services**

The below specialist services are available for people who have experienced recent or historical rape, sexual violence or sexual abuse. Services are independent, confidential and free for anyone, including family members and supporters of people who have been affected by rape or sexual abuse. **Victim Lincs** deliver a service on behalf of the Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner. They provide information, advice and support; including referral to specialist services as appropriate. **Tel: 01522 947 510** 08:00 – 16:00, Monday – Friday [victim@lincs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:victim@lincs.pnn.police.uk)

**National Association for People Abused in Childhood NAPAC helpline: 0808 801 0331** The National Association for People Abused in Childhood (NAPAC) is a national charity offering support to adult survivors of all types of childhood abuse, including physical, sexual and emotional abuse and neglect.

**SurvivorsUK**: Contact : 02035983898; [info@survivorsuk.org](mailto:info@survivorsuk.org); [www.survivorsuk.org](http://www.survivorsuk.org)  
SurvivorsUK is the longest established service providing support to adult males who have experienced any form of sexual violence. They provide a national web-chat and text-chat support service available seven days per week and counselling (individual and group) from their London premises. They also host a male victim focused independent sexual violence adviser (ISVA).

**Mind** InfoLine: 0300 123 3393

Mind - a national mental health charity providing advice and support to anyone with a mental health problem.

**Samaritans** Call Samaritans anytime on: 116 123 Or email: [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)  
Samaritans is available round the clock, every day of the year. Talk to us any time you like in your own way, about whatever's getting to you.

**The Survivors Trust** The Survivors Trust is a national umbrella agency for specialist rape and sexual abuse support organisations for women, men, young people and children. Contact details for local support organisations: [www.thesurvivorstrust.org/find-support](http://www.thesurvivorstrust.org/find-support) National Support Line offering advice, information and support **freephone: 0808 801 0818**