**Websites**

1. A dedicated space for safeguarding information
2. Easily navigable from your website home page
3. A statement about your church’s commitment to safeguarding. (A statement, approved by the NLT is given below for you to use.)
4. A link/download of your up to date safeguarding policy (Safeguarding policies should be reviewed & updated annually using the most recent Elim template)
5. Name & contact details of the church safeguarding coordinator and deputy safeguarding coordinator.
6. A link to the national, Elim referral form: [Refer a safeguarding concern](https://pro.formview.io/#/onddymgvfxbloms/elimonlinereferrallive)

**Social media accounts**  *- specifically where the church has no, main website.*

An ‘announcement’ post containing

1. A statement about Elim, and your church’s commitment to safeguarding. (A statement, approved by the NLT is given below for you to use.)
2. A link/download of your up to date safeguarding policy (the most recent Elim template was published in July 2020)
3. Name & contact details of the church safeguarding coordinator and deputy safeguarding coordinator.
4. A link to the national, Elim referral form: [Refer a safeguarding concern](https://pro.formview.io/#/onddymgvfxbloms/elimonlinereferrallive)

With the following explanation:

*If you wish to raise a concern regarding safeguarding within the Elim organisation, the following form can be used to notify the National Safeguarding Coordinator. A copy of the form will also be emailed to the person completing the information.*

**Statement of commitment to safeguarding**

Elim is committed to creating healthy churches and safe spaces for all. We recognise the ways in which children and adults can be at risk of harm or abuse, so endeavour to create a culture to minimise opportunities for abuse to occur. Children rely on adults to keep them safe, therefore all our churches working with children, either directly or indirectly, are committed to safeguarding children in their care. We seek to do this by providing a safe, stable, and nurturing environment where children can reach their full potential. Similarly, within our churches there are adults in need of protection, care and support due to vulnerability, whether that is a permanent or temporary state. We are aware too that within our churches there are relationships of trust, which flourish best within healthy churches and environments, where there is openness, transparency and accountability.

We firmly believe that safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility, and all involved in the life of our churches and activities have a role to play in keeping children, young people and adults safe.

Chris Cartwright – General Superintendent

National Elim referral form

The online referral form has been developed to support local churches and Elim’s national safeguarding team to ensure robust record keeping for all safeguarding matters. Anyone is able to raise a safeguarding concern via this form. Copies of the form are automatically sent to the national safeguarding team and the referrer. The national safeguarding team follow up any referrals received. If you, as a church leader or safeguarding coordinator receive information that needs to be passed on to the national safeguarding team, or you wish to seek advice on a safeguarding concern, please complete this online form to enable the team to have the information needed.

Examples: Please click on the links below to see some examples of good practice in this area.

[Living Springs Community Church - Cannock](https://www.livingsprings.cc/safeguarding)