

Risk Assessment

The table below sets out the identified risks to the safety of children and young people involved in Church activities in the Diocese of Killala and the steps taken to minimise the risks of abuse.

Risk Identified	Procedure in place to manage risk identified
Those that work with children are unsafe to do so	Procedures to meet Indicator 1.1 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Those that work with children behave inappropriately towards them	Procedures to meet Indicator 1.2 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Children who use our service do not understand the roles and responsibilities in place to encourage positive behaviour	Procedures to meet Indicator 1.3 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
The environment in which work with children is facilitated fails to meet effective safeguarding practice	Procedures to meet Indicators 1.4 and 1.8 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
External groups who use Church property are unsafe to do so	Procedures to meet Indicator 1.5 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Those who wish to behave dangerously or unethically towards children are able to do so	Procedures to meet Indicators 1.6 and 1.7 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Those who wish to exploit children through the use of digital media in our ministries are able to do so	Procedures to meet Indicator 1.9 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Church personnel fail to report an allegation, suspicion, concern or knowledge appropriately	Procedures to meet Indicator 2.1 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from [INSERT DETAIL]
Church personnel fail to understand their responsibilities to safeguard children	Procedures to meet Indicators 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
Children and their parents do not understand the Church's policy, procedures and structure to safeguard children	Procedures to meet Indicators 5.5, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
The procedures for safeguarding children fail to be implemented	Procedures to meet Indicators 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
The Church authority fails to ensure the appointment of a relevant person and maintain a list of mandated persons	Procedures to meeting Indicators 1.1, 6.1 and 2.1 of the Child Safeguarding Policy available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office

Procedures

All procedures outlined in the risk assessment above are available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office. The procedures listed above include the following:

- Procedure for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct against workers/ volunteers of a child availing of our service. This is part of Indicator 2.1 which is available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
- Procedure for the safe recruitment and selection of workers and volunteers to work with children. This is part of Indicator 1.1 available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
- Procedure for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm. This is part of Indicators 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
- Procedure for the reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Tusla. This is part of Indicator 2.1 which is available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
- Procedure for maintaining a list of the persons (if any) in the relevant service who are mandated persons. This is part of Indicator 2.1 which is available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office
- Procedure for appointing a relevant person. This is part of Indicators 1.1 and 6.1 which is available from Diocese of Killala Safeguarding Office