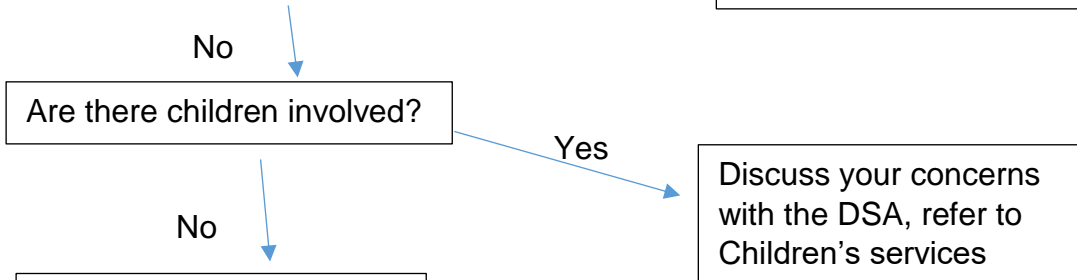
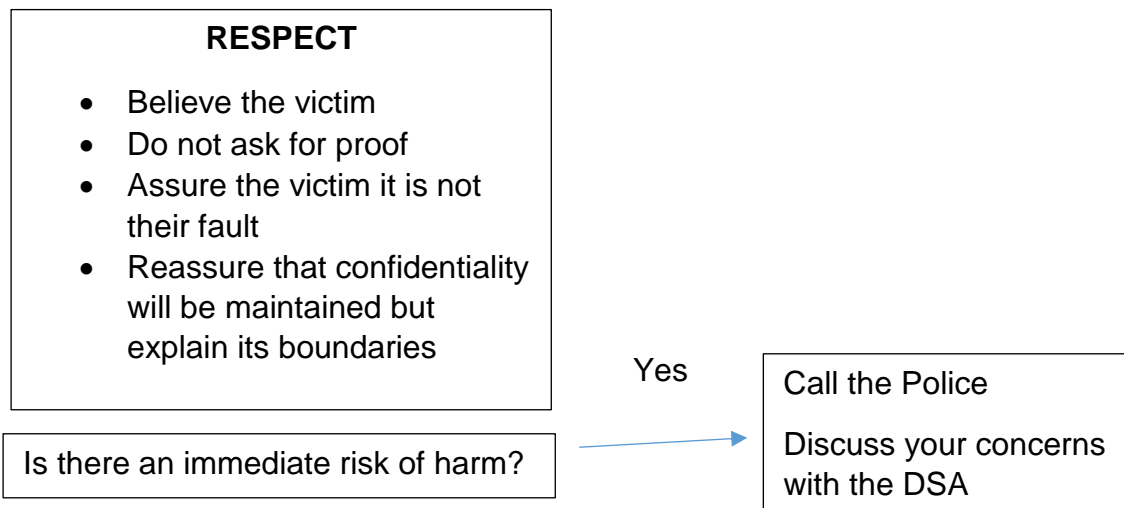


# Domestic Abuse Checklist

It is not the role of the Church, nor anyone employed within the the Church, to investigate issues or incidents – only social care and the police have these statutory powers.

Please follow this process when you become aware of an incident of domestic abuse



No

Further Action requested?

No

Yes

Your time has been well spent. The victim will know that they can return to you for further help, that they have been believed and not in the wrong.

You might be able to offer other opportunities to come and talk.

You cannot make the victim of domestic violence or abuse take any action. The most you might be able to do is listen and provide information.

Ensure you record what you have been told as a safeguarding concern, make a record of your actions and/or advice. Date the record and keep it confidentially.

Outline realistic options – Police, Women's aid, safe house.

Supply appropriate information, leaflets and contact numbers.

Make a referral on the victim's behalf (with their permission) if that is what is wanted

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