

# **GENERAL SYNOD**

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## **JULY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2018**

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### **TWELFTH NOTICE PAPER**

External support for survivors attending the Synod

A phone line has been set up to offer external support to survivors attending the event at York University should they wish to do so.

This line is being run by Survive, a North Yorkshire based charity in York, independent of the Church, which specialises in trauma and have proven experience in working with abuse within religious settings as well as IICSA. This is a supportive phone line with specially trained staff, who will offer signposting to other services should it be needed.

Hours of operation for the helpline during the Synod are:

- 5pm - 10pm Friday 6th July
- 9am - 9pm Sat and Sun 7th and 8th July.

The number to call or text SURVIVE on is 07483906931.

If you cannot get through immediately you will hear a voice message that will say:

"If you are receiving this voicemail it may mean our worker is on the other line. They will return your call as soon as possible. Please feel free to leave a message; or alternatively you can text this number with a convenient time to call.

If you have called on a visible number the worker will ring you back as soon as they are free. If you have called on an anonymous number please try later."

Other organisations also offer support and their numbers are listed below if you wish to contact them:

IDAS (Independent Domestic Abuse Services)

+44 (0)3000 110 110

24hr national helpline: +44 (0)808 2000 247

[www.idas.org.uk](http://www.idas.org.uk)

Samaritans

Someone to talk to in confidence 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

+44 (0)8457 90 90 90

<https://www.samaritans.org/>

Crisis and Access Service York

Assess individuals experiencing a mental health crisis 24/7.

+44 (0) 1904 610700

Survivors UK

Support for sexually abused men as well as their friends and family, no matter when the abuse happened.

+44 (0) 203 598 3898

[help@survivorsuk.org](mailto:help@survivorsuk.org)

<https://www.survivorsuk.org>

NSPCC Child Protection Helpline

Phone if you are worried about a child.

0808 800 5000 (lines free and open 24 hours)

## National Domestic Violence Helpline

Phone if you are experiencing domestic abuse.

0808 2000 247 (lines free and open 24 hours).

## Reporting to the police:

- You can report an incident to the police at any time.
- If you are fearful for your safety, call 999 and get to a safe place.
- If you are not in immediate danger use the non-emergency number 101.
- North Yorkshire Police treat all reports of rape and sexual assault seriously. Victims will be treated with dignity and respect throughout the process.
- Visit the North Yorkshire Police rape and sexual assault web page for more information.

## York Hospital Accident and Emergency:

Trained to deal with mental health crises and can access specialist support 24/7.

+44(0)1904 631313.

## NHS

If you're worried about an urgent medical concern, call 111 and speak to a fully trained adviser.