

APPENDIX 14

OFFENDER AGREEMENT TEMPLATE

This agreement between **** (Offender) and **** (Safeguarding Lead) representing the life of Grace Church Cheltenham is part of the informed support offered to **** (Offender) in his/her process of rehabilitation. This agreement is based on the Grace Church Cheltenham Safeguarding Policy. For this agreement a child is defined as a person under the age of 18.

We recognise that it is the Church's duty to minister to all people, but in doing so we will not compromise the safety of any member of our congregation, particularly children. Further, we will undertake to work in conjunction with the relevant statutory agencies to ensure the fulfilment of this agreement.

Therefore, we agree:

- That the facts of **** (Offender)'s previous record will be shared with a small group of the Leadership Team on a need to know basis, determined by **** (Safeguarding Lead).
- That a support group made up of people **** (Offender) has chosen and agreed by **** (Safeguarding Lead), will be formed so that **** (Offender) may attend worship and other meetings connected to the life of the church. This group will offer pastoral care, support and friendship as well as supervision.
- That *** (Offender) undertakes not to fill any official role or office in the life of the church.
- That as children are present in our church services, **** (Offender) agrees to be accompanied to church by a member of the support group.
- That **** (Offender) undertakes to stay away from areas of the life of the church or buildings connected with the life of the church where children meet.
- That **** (Offender) may, if he/she so wishes, attend a Grace group where there are no children.
- That **** (Offender) undertakes to decline any hospitality given by a member of the congregation where he/she is likely to have unsupervised contact with children.
- That ***** (Offender) undertakes never to be alone with children.
- That ***** (Offender) undertakes never to work, or be part of a mixed age group, with children.
- That the other signatories of this agreement undertake to review this agreement with the Safeguarding Lead and ***** (Offender)'s Probation Officer after six months.

Signed:

..... Date:/...../.....
Offender

..... Date:/...../.....
Safeguarding Lead

..... Date:/...../.....
Trustee Lead for Safeguarding