

Policy on the Safeguarding of Adults and Children in the Church

This statement was adopted by Macclesfield, St Paul Parish (1510) at a Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on Wednesday 3 February 2016.

This policy will be reviewed each year to monitor the progress which has been achieved.

1. We recognize that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.
2. As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults and children to whom we minister.
3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of anyone who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
4. We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.
5. The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of any person who may be vulnerable.
6. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable adults and children and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
7. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with any adults or children who may be vulnerable.
8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst adults and children who may be vulnerable.
9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.
10. Each person who works with vulnerable adults or children will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

This church appoints Ann Harris to represent the concerns and views of vulnerable adults and children at our meetings and to outside bodies.

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