

SAFEGUARDING POLICY STATEMENT

This policy has been agreed by the Parochial Church Council of All Saint's, Willian

Church; we aim to ensure that the 5 foundations and 6 overarching policy commitments of the House of Bishops Policy for children, young people and adults, 'Promoting a Safer Church' (2017), are promoted and adhered to by all those who serve God within our church.

1. Our safeguarding practice is founded on the following principles:

An endorsement of the Church's approach to safeguarding practice which:

- holds the welfare of the child, young person and vulnerable adult as paramount
- shows integrity, respect and an ability to listen to all
- takes accountably seriously
- promotes transparency and openness
- collaborates effectively with key statutory authorities and other partners
- uses professional support and guidance from inside and outside the Church
- commits to preventing abuse and managing risk
- promotes a culture of informed vigilance
- regularly evaluates to ensure best practice

2. Governance and oversight:

- The Parochial Church Council (PCC) will regularly review our safeguarding practice and endorse or revise our safeguarding policy annually.
- We will provide to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) a report in relation to safeguarding and progress made over the last year.
- The management and development of safeguarding practice in this parish will be coordinated by the Benefice Safeguarding Officer.

Signed: Incumbent

Date:

A copy of 'Promoting a Safer Church' (2017) is available on request

Please see Safer Church Poster for Safeguarding contacts.

