

Policies for Safeguarding Children and adults who may be vulnerable 2019

Parish of Christ Church, Ware in the Church of England Diocese of St Albans

We are committed to implementing a safeguarding children and adults who may be vulnerable policy and procedures accepting the House of Bishops' Protecting All God's Children (4th edition 2010). In addition the Parish will follow the Diocesan Procedures and recommended good practice and be responsive to local parish requirements.

- We will review and endorse our safeguarding policies annually so that all members are aware of their responsibilities.
- We will seek to adopt all aspects of the revised legislation and best practice guidelines as and when they are agreed by the Church and Diocese.
- The highest standards will be maintained in all the Church's contacts with children and adults who may be vulnerable, volunteers will be given appropriate support and opportunities for training.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made that a children and adults who may be vulnerable for whom we are responsible may have been harmed.
- This Parish will co-operate fully with the statutory agencies in every situation and will not conduct its own investigations.
- We will seek to offer informed pastoral care to any child or adults who may be vulnerable who has suffered abuse.
- We will care for and supervise any member of our church community known to have offended against a children, young person or adults who may be vulnerable.
- The PCC acknowledges its responsibility for all work with children and adults who may be vulnerable done in the name of the Church and requires all those engaged in such work to be properly appointed and supported in accordance with the House of Bishop's Safeguarding Guidelines Relating to Safer Recruitment (June 2015) and Diocesan Procedures and guidelines.

We have appointed as our Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator Christine Evans

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Signed Incumbent

Church Warden

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