



THE PARISH CHURCH OF  
**St PETER & St PAUL**  
BASINGBOURN

## **SAFEGUARDING POLICY PROMOTING A SAFER CHURCH**

1. In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:
  - 1.1. Promoting a safer environment and culture.
  - 1.2. Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
  - 1.3. Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
  - 1.4. Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
  - 1.5. Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
  - 1.6. Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.
2. The Parish will:
  - 2.1. Create a safe and caring place for all.
  - 2.2. Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
  - 2.3. Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
  - 2.4. Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
  - 2.5. Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
  - 2.6. Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
  - 2.7. Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.

- 2.8. Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- 2.9. Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- 2.10. Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- 2.11. Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.
- 3. Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.
- 4. People to contact

We have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement safeguarding policy and procedures. This person is:

Lesley Bond  
17 North End,  
Bassingbourn  
Telephone number: 01763 246405

#### 5. Review

- 5.1. This policy shall be reviewed as required and at least annually.

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