

# Statement of Safeguarding Principles



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The Church of England works in partnership with other Christian Churches and other agencies in delivering safeguarding. In partnership with the Methodist Church, the following statement of principles appears at the head of each safeguarding policy:

We are committed to:

- The care, nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and all adults;
- The safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and all adults
- The establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where victims of abuse can report or disclose abuse and where they can find support and best practice that contributes to the prevention of abuse

To this end

- We will carefully select, support and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration/membership of the relevant vetting and barring schemes
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made, that any adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation
- We will seek to offer informed pastoral care and support to anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry that recognises the importance of understanding the needs of those who have been abused, including their feelings of alienation and/or isolation
- We will seek to protect survivors of sexual abuse from the possibility of further harm and abuse
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision, and referral to the appropriate authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult

In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice.

Approved by this Parochial Church Council. To be reviewed in three years time (on date) FEB 2017

Name of Parochial Church Council: FLAMPTON

Review: Feb 2019

Signed:

*Charles Souden*  
Parish Priest

*SGL Woodward*  
Churchwarden

*Joan M. Deane*  
Canon Coadjutor

Name (print): CHARLES SOUDEN SGL WOODWARD J M DEANE Date: 11/2/2014

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is: JOHN MARSHALL



## Policy on the Safeguarding of Adults in the Church

This statement was adopted by Frampton (Parish) at a Parochial Church Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014

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 to whom we minister.
3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people 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 people 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 people 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 people who may be vulnerable.
8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people 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 people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

This church appoints J Marshall to represent the concerns and views of vulnerable people at our meetings and to outside bodies.

Incumbent [Signature]

Churchwarden Shh Woodard

Churchwarden Joan M. Deane

Date 11/2/2014