

## **Policy Statement on Safeguarding Children**

## Agreed by the PCC at their meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to be reviewed annually

- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping
  of all, especially children and young people.
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
- We recognise that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole church.
- The church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.
- The church is committed to following the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese of Manchester.
- The parish has adopted the House of Bishops 'Promoting a Safer Church' safeguarding policy.
- The details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs are displayed on the notice boards by the church entrance and the Community Café.
- Each worker with children and young people must undertake diocesan Safeguarding training, know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines.
- As part of our commitment to children and young people, the PCC has appointed Mrs. Phyllis Kelly-Cudjoe as the Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator.
- Children and young people are part of our church today.
- They have much to give as well as to receive.
- We will listen to them.
- As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Signed		
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