

## Safeguarding Policy

### Children

- St Barnabas is committed to maintain a policy for safeguarding children, in line with diocesan procedures and good practice and the House of Bishops' Policy, Protecting All God's Children (4th edition 2010).
- The PCC review and endorse all safeguarding policies annually, at the first meeting of the new PCC, so that new members are aware of their responsibilities and affirm the parish policy on child protection.
- The highest standards will be maintained in all the Church's contacts with children and young people, and adult volunteers will be given appropriate support and opportunities for training.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made, that a child or young person for whom we are responsible may have been harmed.
- St Barnabas will cooperate 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, young person or adult who has suffered abuse.
- We will care for and supervise any member of our church community known to have offended against a child.
- The Parochial Church Council acknowledges its responsibility for all work with children and young people done in the name of the Church and requires all those engaged in such work to be properly appointed and supported in accordance with current good practice and guidelines issued through the Diocese of Rochester.

St Barnabas has appointed, as our Parish Children's Representative:

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If you wish to speak to someone outside the church:

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Or Greg Barry, Assistant Safeguarding Adviser. Tel: 01634 560000.

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### Vulnerable Adults

- We recognise that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that all adults should be offered respect and given inclusion and empowerment within the church.
- St Barnabas is committed to maintain a policy for safeguarding adults when they are vulnerable, in line with diocesan policy, procedures and recommended good practice, as well as the House of Bishops' Policy on Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults (Promoting a Safe Church 2006).
- The PCC review and endorse all safeguarding policies annually, at the first meeting of the new PCC, so that new members are aware of their responsibilities and affirm the parish policy on child protection.
- We will undertake careful selection of all those who will work with vulnerable groups and appropriate support and opportunities for training.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made, that a vulnerable person for whom we are responsible may have been harmed.
- St Barnabas will cooperate 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 adult who has suffered abuse.
- We will care for and supervise any member of our church community known to have offended.
- The Parochial Church Council acknowledges its responsibility for all work with young and vulnerable people done in the name of the Church and requires all those engaged in such work to be properly appointed and supported in accordance with current good practice and guidelines issued through the Diocese of Rochester.

St Barnabas has appointed, as our Parish Safeguarding Adults' Representative:  
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