

Parish of St. Clement Leigh-on-Sea

Policy on the Safeguarding of Adults in the Church

Protection Officer – Mrs. Jill Healey 07854959389

This statement was initially adopted by the Parish of St. Clement Leigh-on-Sea at a Parochial Church Council meeting held on Tuesday 17th July 2012.

This policy will be reviewed annually in July. **n.b. Due to the fact that the Diocese of Chelmsford are bringing out new guidelines, the Safeguarding policies will be reviewed by the P.C.C. on 11th September this year (2019)**

1. We recognise 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 the respectful pastoral care for all the 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 who may be vulnerable.
9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese of Chelmsford.
10. Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and guidelines established by this church.

This church appoints Mrs Jill Healey to represent the concerns and views of vulnerable people at our meetings and to outside bodies.

P.C.C. Chairman Clive Hillman.....(signed).....

ChurchwardenElizabeth Stoneman.....(signed).....

ChurchwardenJill Healey.....(signed).....

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