

Parish of Holy Trinity, Leverstock Green

Safeguarding Policy

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 13 May 2026.

This church adopts and implements the Church of England House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policies and Practice Guidance.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy, our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruit, train, support and appropriately supervise all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults experiencing, or at risk of, abuse or neglect, including the completion of DBS checks and safeguarding training in line with Church of England requirements.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

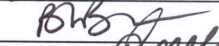
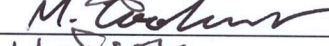
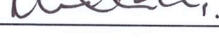
The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- 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.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including contacting the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and, where appropriate, the police or local authority safeguarding services without delay.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- 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.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Promote safer working practices and appropriate safeguarding arrangements within both physical and online church activities.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community is expected to uphold this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

The PCC appoints Miles as Parish Safeguarding Officer and Motunrayo as Deputy Parish Safeguarding Officer.

This policy is approved by:

Role	Signature	Date
Parish Priest		13 May 2026
Churchwarden		13 May 2026
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Safeguarding Officer PSO		13 May 2026
Safeguarding Officer DPSO		13 May 2026

Date of next policy review: May 2027