

Safeguarding report 2025

All Saints is committed to the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults and to supporting those who have been victims of abuse, as well as those who may present a risk to others. The PCC have due regard to the House of Bishops guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The PCC have adopted all the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policies and Practice Guidance as well as “Promoting a safer Church.” and the Domestic Abuse statement at their meeting in March 2025.

The National safeguarding body has recently introduced that all Bell ringers will have to complete their Basic training for Safeguarding online. Aside from this, everyone who holds a relevant position within All Saints that warrants Safeguarding and/or DBS checks have all complied.

The Hub continues to be a much used tool and is being updated regularly by the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer has completed courses during the past year including a course run by 31:8 on the disclosure and barring service entitled “Faith in Safeguarding”

The PCC continues its work on “Promoting a healthy and safe culture” within our church and the Focus group that has been set up, continues to meet regularly and feed back to the PCC for further discussion and approval to develop our findings. These meetings are extremely helpful and with some good outcomes already are moving us forward.

As your Parish Safeguarding Officer I have attended three PCC meetings during the year to give my updated reports. For meetings I am unable to attend my report is forwarded to the PCC secretary for inclusion at the meeting. Once again I would like to thank Rev Simon Cutmore, the churchwardens Vderity and Janet, the PCC and our congregation for their continued support for me in my role as Parish Safeguarding Office (PSO.) It is my privilege to serve you in this way.

Mrs Lyn Paddon
Parish Safeguarding Officer - PSO