

Policy for Safeguarding Adults when they are vulnerable
Parish of Great Amwell with St Margaret's and St Andrew's in the Diocese of St Albans

This Policy was agreed by the PCC at their meeting on the 27th March 2023

1. 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.
2. We are committed to implementing a Safeguarding policy for adults when they are vulnerable accepting the Church of England Policy on Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults (Promoting a Safe Church) and be responsive to local parish requirements.
3. We will review and endorse all Safeguarding policies annually so that all members are aware of their responsibilities.
4. We will carefully select those working with vulnerable groups or individuals and these workers will be given appropriate support and opportunities for training.
5. We will respond without delay to every complaint made that a vulnerable adult for whom we are responsible may have been harmed.
6. This Parish will co-operate fully with the statutory agencies in every situation and will not conduct its own investigations.
7. We will seek to offer informed pastoral care to any adult who has suffered abuse.
8. We will care for and supervise any member of our church community known to have offended in a manner which could effect adults who are vulnerable.
9. The PCC acknowledges its responsibility for all work with 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 the Church of England Practice guidance: Safer Recruitment.

We have appointed as our Great Amwell with St Margaret's Parish Church Safeguarding Officer
Mrs Lyn Paddon Tel: 01920 487717 Mobile: 07990904590

We have appointed as our St Andrew's Parish Church Safeguarding Officer
Mrs M Ross Tel: 07783 443332

Signed Incumbent Churchwardens

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Non-emergency 101
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Child Line 08001111
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