## **CHILD PROTECTION POLICY**



## Policy Statement on Children, Young People and the Church of St Mary, Partington and Carrington

## This statement was confirmed at the Annual Church Meeting held on: Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017

- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected
- We recognise that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole church
- Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision
- Our church is committed to following the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese of Chester
- The parish will adopt good practice guidelines
- Each worker with children and young people must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and Good Practice guidelines
  - Children and Young People are an important part of our Church today
  - They have much to give as well as to receive
  - We will listen to them
  - As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of Children and Young People

As part of our commitment to children and young people, the PCC has appointed Mrs Carey Hammond as the Child Protection Coordinator and Lead Recruiter for DBS.

Carey can be contacted, in confidence, should anyone have any safeguarding concern about any child, vulnerable person, adult or situation on:

Tel: 0161 776 1338 or via e-mail: safe@stmaryspartington.org.uk