Safeguarding report for 2018 to APCM Burpham Church

Safeguarding Officers

Eleri Knight and Ann Wigmore have continued to jointly hold the post of Parish Safeguarding Officer. We act as the link between the diocese and parish for all safeguarding. We provide advice within our church and also can seek further advice if there are situations where this is needed.

Adoption of national policies

We continue to try to review all national Church of England safeguarding policy as relevant to our church.

Record keeping

We oversea the retention of all confidential records and Lisa Scott provides invaluable support for the day to day management of all records.

We have started to set up a secure database that complies with the GDPR regulations as we receive guidance from the Diocese.

Risk assessments are carried out for activities and records kept appropriately.

Training

Eleri and Ann have attended safeguarding training as recommended by the Diocese.

Most officer bearers, group leaders and helpers within church have attended appropriate training or are planning to attend as courses become available. The start of online training as helped this and means people can do the training in their own time.

We have about 30 leaders and helpers at any one time and we aim to keep as up to date as possible.

Approved leaders and helpers

With the help of Lisa we are able to continue ensure all helpers and leaders are correctly appointed and approved for their roles both for work with children and adults. DBS checks are carried out where necessary.

Ann Wigmore

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