

South Woodham Evangelical Church Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

This statement was agreed at the church meeting held on 8th May 2019. It will be read annually at the church meeting held in the month of May where progress in carrying it out will be monitored.

- As members of this church we commit ourselves to the Safeguarding of vulnerable adults and ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
- It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable adults and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with vulnerable adults.
- The church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who undertake this work.
- Each person who works with vulnerable adults will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church

Responsible people

Margaret Martin is appointed as the Safeguarding Managing Trustee to:

.oversee and monitor the implementation of the Safeguarding policy and procedures.

The church has appointed **Hazel Smee** as the Designated Person for Safeguarding to:

- advise the church on matters related to the safeguarding of vulnerable adults
- take the appropriate action when abuse is disclosed, discovered or suspected.

The church has appointed **Jane Holden** as the Deputy Designated Person for Safeguarding.

Bev Gibbons serves as Safeguarding Administrator to administer DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checks for those who visit or support vulnerable adults on behalf of the church.