



Promoting a Safer Church

Safeguarding Policy Statement for Children, Young People and Adults

This statement was adopted by the Parish of St Thomas and St Edmund Salisbury
at a meeting of the Parochial Church Council

The care and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of the whole Church. Everyone who participates in the life of the Church has a role to play in promoting a safer church for all.

In accordance with the House of Bishops' Policy Statements *Promoting a Safer Church* (2017) our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

This policy applies to all Church Bodies and Church Officers. Full understanding of, and adherence to, this policy should lead to a deepening in the understanding of, and respect for, the rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults as people of faith in the life of the Church.

This policy statement will be reviewed annually.

Churchwarden..........Print Name.....Rhinzel Humphreys.....

Churchwarden.....Clare Tawney.....Print Name.....CLARE TAWNEY.....

Date: 5 June 2025

This church appoints the Parish Safeguarding Officer(s) (PSOs) to represent the concerns and views of vulnerable people at our meetings and to outside bodies. Contact details for the PSOs are held by the Parish Office, or directly by email via: safeguarding@stthomassalisbury.co.uk

Signed.......... Chair, PCC

Date: 5/6/25

A record of the review of this policy will be held in the PCC minutes from the meeting following the APCM each year. If changes are made, a new policy will be drawn up and signed.