St. James' Church Burnopfield and Dipton

Safeguarding

Promoting a safer church

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church.

OUR Commitments

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

If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from a Safeguarding Adviser or if necessary report the matter to the Local Social Care Services or the police without delay.

Local contacts available to speak to if you have any concerns:

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Name: Norma Brown
Role: Parish Safeguarding Officer (01207 272401)
E-mail: normajoybrown@gmail.com

Name: Pam Martin
Role: Parish Safeguarding Officer (01207 270372)
E-mail: pamelamarymartin@btinternet.com

Name: Beth Miller
Role: Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (07968034075)
E-mail beth.miller@durham.anglican.org or beth@bethmillerisw.co.uk

Web link: https://durhamdiocese.org/safeguarding-abuse-concerns

Local Authority Social Services: Durham Social Care Direct ☎03000 267 979

If there is an immediate risk or danger contact the police on 101

This policy has been adopted by the PCC and will be checked annually

Signed **March 2021**