

Benefice of Sutton, Wincle, Wildboarclough and Bosley www.peakparishes.org.uk

Volunteer Job Role

Name of Volunteer		

Our Churches takes the safety of everyone within the Benefice very seriously and expects that everyone will work within the Benefice safeguarding policy. In particular, the Churches expect anyone who becomes aware of a safeguarding concern or of actual abuse, to immediately report it.

Principles

Everyone working and volunteering with children and/or vulnerable adults must have a commitment to:

- Treat individuals with respect;
- Recognise and respect their abilities and potential for development;
- Promote their rights to make their own decisions and choices, unless it is unsafe;
- Ensure their welfare and safety;
- The promotion of social justice, social responsibility and respect for others;
 and

Confidentiality, never passing on personal information, except to the person to whom you are responsible, unless there are safeguarding issues of concern (eg allegations of abuse). Safeguarding issues of concern must **always** be reported to the Police or Social Care services and Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser via our Parishes Safeguarding Officer, Neil Wain on 07769 931186

Your role here is	
Your duties include	
You will be responsible to	and they

Key responsibilities and accountabilities:

- To work with vulnerable people and/or children in a way that meets and develops their personal, spiritual and social needs, exercising active pastoral concern.
- To represent the needs and views of vulnerable people to the PCC or, where appropriate, enable them to do this for themselves.
- To maintain a link with parents and carers.
- To work in accordance with the church's policy on safeguarding.
- To undertake any other work that has been agreed and is seen to be appropriate.

As a volunteer you can expect that we will do our best to ensure that:

 We provide a supportive, inclusive and positive environment that ensures you enjoy your volunteering and that you are treated with respect and courtesy and provided with training where appropriate.

Person specification

- 1. Able to demonstrate an ability to work with people who are /may be vulnerable; and
- 2. A willingness to develop their skills and training

As a volunteer working regularly with children and/or people who may be vulnerable, this role may be eligible for a criminal record check which will be renewed at least every five years.

Working with children, young people and vulnerable adults is a great responsibilitybut it also brings great rewards. We hope you enjoy the responsibility and thank you for your contribution to our church life.

This letter is binding in honour only; it is not intended to create a legally binding contract between us and it may be cancelled at any time at the discretion of either party. Neither of us intend any employment relationship to be created either now or at any time in the future.

You can get a copy of our Safeguarding Policy from the vicar or our designated Parishes Safeguarding Officer Neil Wain (Bosley 07769 931186) or on our web site.