## The Parish of St John The Baptist, Hey





This statement was agreed at the PCC meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020 and is to be read out annually at the APCM.

- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.
- > It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
- > We recognise that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole church.
- Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.
- ➤ Our church is committed to following the policy and procedures published by the Diocese in Safeguarding Children 2013 (updated July 2014) - which is available on line at http://www.manchester.anglican.org
- > The parish will adopt good practice guidelines through which any issue / disclosure are reported immediately to the parish coordinator
- ➤ Each worker with children and young people must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines.
- ➤ As part of our commitment to children and young people, the PCC has appointed Ms Colette Morris to be the Child Protection Coordinator.
- > Children and young people are an important part of our Church today.
- > They have much to give as well as to receive.
- > We will listen to them.
- As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of Children and young people.

The Parish coordinator for all matters relating to this policy is: Colette Morris 07583 101 863 or in her absence Rev Lyn Woodall - 0161 620 5981