St Mary's Church, Balderstone Safeguarding Policy

As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults.

It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children, young people and vulnerable adults and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.

We recognise that our work with children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the whole church.

Our church is committed to following the policy and procedures published by the Diocese.

St. Mary's Church will adopt good practice guidelines.

Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training all those who work with children, young people and vulnerable adults and to providing supervision.

Each worker with children, young people and vulnerable adults must be DBS checked, undertake diocesan Safeguarding training, know the safeguarding guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each will be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines.

Children, young people and vulnerable adults are an important part of the church today. We will listen to them as they have much to give as well as to receive.

As we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

The Parochial Church Council has appointed

Erica Taylor

As the Parish's Safeguarding Co-ordinator.