

**Policy statement on the safeguarding of  
Children and Young people in St Andrew's parish, Radcliffe**

**This statement was read out at the April 2026 APCM.**

1. As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and Safekeeping of all, children and young people.
2. It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual, spiritual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
3. We recognise that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole Church.
4. Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with Children and young people and to providing supervision.
5. Our church is committed to following the policy and procedures published by the Diocese.
6. The parish will adopt good practice guidelines.
7. Each worker with children and young people must undertake diocesan Safeguarding training, know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. They shall be made aware of the Parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines on the parish website.
8. Children and young people are an important part of our Church today.
9. We will listen to them
10. As we nurture them in worship, learning, and in community life, we will respect their Wishes and feelings.

**This church appoints Revd Steph Mawhinney and Alison Young as Safeguarding Co-ordinator to represent the concerns and views of vulnerable people at our meetings and to outside bodies**

Print Name..... REV STEPH MAWHINNEY .....

Signed- SMawhinney .....

Role- VICAR .....

Dated- 26/4/26 .....