



Parish of Bishops Hatfield St Michael and All Angels

Activity risk assessment

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What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to manage this risk?	Action by whom?	Action by when?	Done
Abuse of vulnerable adult or child being visited.	Individual adults	<p>Safeguarding policy for vulnerable adults.</p> <p>Safeguarding good practice guidance for vulnerable adults.</p> <p>Pastoral visitors have completed the relevant national safeguarding training.</p> <p>Pastoral visitors are safely recruited and aware of policy and good practice.</p> <p>Pastoral visitors hold current DBS checks.</p>	<p>Consider same sex visitor</p> <p>Lone worker policy and guidance</p>	<i>Pastoral visitors asked to visit by the church.</i>	<i>On going</i>	



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<p>Personal Safety</p>	<p>Anyone asked to pastorally visit another person by church.</p> <p>Anyone being visited.</p>	<p>Full consideration given to lone visiting via 'Guidelines on Lone Working and Personal Safety'.</p> <p>Incumbent or nominated person has risk assessed and authorised either lone visits or visits by two people. Visitor is aware to report any deterioration in physical or mental health or other concern to nominated person at church.</p> <p>Nominated person to contact PSO/family/social services regarding deterioration or other concern.</p> <p>Incumbent or nominated person to ensure visitor is not overloaded by pastoral demands.</p>	<p>If deterioration in physical or mental health or other concern then further risk assessment to be completed.</p> <p>Visits have clear time boundaries.</p> <p>If lone visiting, then make sure a family member, friend or someone knows where you are going and when.</p> <p>All up to date covid restrictions to be followed by visitor and person being visited.</p>			
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