DIOCESE OF WORCESTER

St Mary the Virgin, Hurst Hill Parochial Church Council (PCC Policy on Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults in the Church)

We are committed to and adopt the House of Bishop's Policy - Promoting a Safer Church

- We recognise that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and everyone may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in their lives.
- As members of the parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.
- We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of the church.
- We commit to promoting safe practise by those in positions of trust.
- The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.
- It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
- We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.
- The parish is committed to supporting training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.
- The parish will adopt the Diocesan policy on vulnerable adults.
- Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations.
- The church has a nominated person who will represent the concerns and views of vulnerable people at parish meetings and to outside bodies.

There are currently no specific activities undertaken by the Church.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU CAN CONTACT DUDLEY ADULT & CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE - 0300 555 0055 (out of hours 0300 555 8574)

This Policy was discussed and agreed at the PCC meeting on
We the PCC agree to review and update this policy annually
Signed & dated by

Chair of PCC	
Churchwardens	
Vulnerable Adult Protection Representative	
Incumbent	