Safeguarding Worksheet 1B

Promoting the welfare of vulnerable groups

Safeguarding Standard 1 relates to culture, leadership and capacity.

An indicator of 'what good looks like' is:

1.6 Those in leadership roles engage with and promote the welfare and voice of children, vulnerable adults, victims and survivors of abuse, as well as those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse.

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Therefore, the PCC might like to consider how they can encourage those in leadership roles to better promote the welfare of vulnerable groups.

In preparation for the PCC meeting

This worksheet could be distributed to PCC members prior to the meeting.

Ask PCC members to consider these questions:

- What vulnerable groups do we have in our church?
- How could those in leadership roles better engage with and promote their welfare?

During the PCC meeting

Please note that, for reasons of confidentiality, PCC members should not expect to be told about individuals who are victims and survivors of abuse, or those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse.

The following discussion should be restricted to categories of people. **Individuals people must not be identified.**

- 1. Ask PCC members to share their answers to the above two questions.
- 2. Ask the PCC to choose two actions that will encourage those in leadership roles to better promote the welfare of vulnerable groups.

Ensure the actions are recorded in the minutes of the meeting - What? ... Who? ... When?

Repeating this discussion

The National Safeguarding Team recommends a three-year cycle for implementing and reviewing the *Safeguarding Standards*.¹

This worksheet could be used at least once during this three-year cycle.

¹ National Safeguarding Standards and QA Framework - page 4