

**Policy Statement on Children, Young People and Safeguarding in the Parishes
of St Mary's Tilston and St Edith's Shocklach 2009**

**The PCCs of St Mary's Tilston and St Edith's Shocklach have agreed on
the following policy:**

- That the policy statement will be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.
- As members of this church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected
- We recognize that our work with children and young people is the responsibility of the whole church
- Our church is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision
- Our church is committed to the guidelines and procedures published by the Diocese
- The parish will adopt good practice guidelines
- Each worker with children and young people must know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and Good Practice guidelines

As part of our commitment to children and young people, the PCC has appointed Pam Bidmead (St Mary's Tilston) Jerry Mobbs (St Edith's, Shocklach) to be the Child Protection Coordinators.