**Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy Statement**

MCCNL regards vulnerable adults protection and good working practice as a priority. In the interests of the safety and well being of all people, it has developed and operates a formal vulnerable adults protection policy.

The church is committed to ensuring that everyone working with vulnerable adults:

The pastor and any paid staff and volunteers have undergone a Disclosure and Barring Service check at enhanced level,

The pastor and any paid staff and volunteers are adequately trained and supervised,

The pastor and any paid staff and volunteers understand and follow the church's vulnerable adults protection policy.

The vulnerable adults protection policy may be viewed and/or a copy obtained from the church office at: BM MCC, London, WC1N 3XX.

As part of this church's commitment to vulnerable adults it has appointed **Rev. Peta Evans** as Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator. All the vulnerable adults involved in activities within the church know who Rev. Peta Evans is and how they can be contacted. If unable or unwilling to contact the Coordinator, the secondary contact is: **PJ Samuels.**

Should any Church member have any vulnerable adults protection concerns, they should seek the Co-ordinator’s advice. The Coordinator in conjunction with the Board of Directors will take decisions regarding contacting statutory authorities, including the local Camden Vulnerable Adults and Safeguarding representatives, as necessary.

**MCC North London**

•  recognises that vulnerable adults protection is everyone's responsibility.

•  recognises the unique and individual worth of each vulnerable adult.

•  is committed to nurturing, protecting and safeguarding vulnerable adults.

•  exercises care in the appointment of all those working with vulnerable adults in the church, working to ‘Safe from Harm' principles.

•  is committed to following statutory and specialist guidelines in working with vulnerable adults.

•  seeks to support all those affected by abuse.

•  is committed to supporting, training and resourcing those who work with vulnerable adults and provide regular supervision.

•  is committed to the management and supervision of known offenders in the church.

•  will review its vulnerable adults protection policy annually.

If you have any concerns for a vulnerable adult or in relation to any vulnerable adults protection matter then please speak to one of the Vulnerable Adults Protection Co-ordinators.