

**Church Hulme Parochial Church Council
Parish of St Luke, Holmes Chapel**

**Safeguarding – Past Cases Review 2
(PCR2)**

making our churches safer

In 2007, the Church of England commissioned a national Past Case Review which sought to look at the handling by the Church of child protection cases over many years. The Bishop of Birkenhead has now written to me to outline details of a new Past Cases Review (known nationally as PCR2).

All parishes are required to respond by checking records and reporting to the review all known cases of concern about the behaviour of clergy and church officers towards children and vulnerable adults.

This is an important task and part of the Church's ongoing scrutiny of its handling of safeguarding files. It is being carried out to ensure our churches are safer places for everyone.

Individuals who wish to make representations to the PCR2, or who need to come forward with information or make any disclosures regarding church-related abuse, are encouraged to make direct contact with the **Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Pauline Butterfield:**

by email: pauline.butterfield@chester.anglican.org or

by phone: 07703 800031.

Alternatively, they can call the

dedicated helpline: 0800 80 20 20

operated by the NSPCC, independently of the Church.

**Canon Rob McLaren, Vicar
5 February 2020**