



## **Essex Christian Youth Activities**

### **POLICY STATEMENT ON WORKING WITH CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS AND VULNERABLE ADULTS**

- Children, young people and vulnerable adults are very important in the life of a church. They have much to give as well as receive. We listen to them, and learn from them, as well as seek to teach them. As we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life, we will respect the wishes and feelings of children, young people and vulnerable adults ;
- As Culford workers we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults ;
- We will always seek to guide and instruct the children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care about the good news of our Saviour Jesus Christ;
- We recognise that our work with children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the whole leadership team including responsible adults, through involvement in the various organisations, befriending, encouragement and prayer;
- ECYA is committed to supporting, resourcing and training those who work with children, young people and vulnerable adults , and to providing supervision to these workers;
- ECYA is committed to following the principals of the Home Office Code of Practice entitled " Safe from Harm"
- Each worker with children, young people and vulnerable adults should be given a copy of the churches agreed procedures for dealing with children, young people and vulnerable adults and the Good Practice Guidelines. They should know the recommendations, and must undertake to observe them;
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children, young people and vulnerable adults , and to report any abuse discovered or suspected to Jeff Fair or Louise Colledge as the camp child protection coordinators.