

# PECH Prayer Diary - Security Recommendations

Based on my review of the PECH Prayer Diary codebase, I've identified several areas where security could be enhanced. Below are specific recommendations with implementation details.

## 1. Enhance Content Security Policies

The application doesn't currently implement Content Security Policies (CSP), which would help prevent XSS attacks and other code injection vulnerabilities.

### Implementation:

Add the following CSP meta tag to the `<head>` section of `index.html`:

```
html

<meta http-equiv="Content-Security-Policy" content="default-src 'self'; script-src 'self' https
```

For even better protection, configure CSP at the server level. If you're using GitHub Pages, this isn't possible, but you can implement this if you move to a custom web server.

## 2. Implement Supabase Row-Level Security (RLS)

Although the app uses client-side permission checks, these could be bypassed. Supabase's Row-Level Security (RLS) provides server-side enforcement.

### Implementation:

```

sql

-- Example RLS policy for the prayer_updates table

-- First, create authentication validation function
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION auth.is_admin()
RETURNS BOOLEAN AS $$
    SELECT EXISTS (
        SELECT 1 FROM profiles
        WHERE id = auth.uid() AND user_role = 'Administrator'
    );
$$ LANGUAGE sql SECURITY DEFINER;

CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION auth.can_edit_updates()
RETURNS BOOLEAN AS $$
    SELECT EXISTS (
        SELECT 1 FROM profiles
        WHERE id = auth.uid() AND (user_role = 'Administrator' OR prayer_update_editor = true)
    );
$$ LANGUAGE sql SECURITY DEFINER;

-- Enable RLS on prayer_updates table
ALTER TABLE prayer_updates ENABLE ROW LEVEL SECURITY;

-- Create policies
-- Read policy - anyone who is authenticated can read updates
CREATE POLICY "Anyone can read prayer updates"
ON prayer_updates FOR SELECT
USING (auth.role() = 'authenticated');

-- Insert policy - only admins and update editors can create
CREATE POLICY "Editors can create prayer updates"
ON prayer_updates FOR INSERT
WITH CHECK (auth.can_edit_updates());

-- Update policy - only admins and update editors can update
CREATE POLICY "Editors can update prayer updates"
ON prayer_updates FOR UPDATE
USING (auth.can_edit_updates());

-- Delete policy - only admins can delete
CREATE POLICY "Admin can delete prayer updates"
ON prayer_updates FOR DELETE
USING (auth.is_admin());

```

Apply similar policies to all tables in your database.

### 3. Secure Local Storage Usage

The app stores sensitive information in localStorage which could be vulnerable to XSS attacks.

#### **Implementation:**

Create a secure storage utility that encrypts sensitive data:



*// Add to a new file called secure-storage.js*

```
const secureStorage = {  
  // Generate a device-specific key  
  async getEncryptionKey() {  
    let key = localStorage.getItem('app_encryption_key');  
  
    if (!key) {  
      // Generate a random key  
      const buffer = new Uint8Array(32);  
      window.crypto.getRandomValues(buffer);  
      key = Array.from(buffer).map(b => b.toString(16).padStart(2, '0')).join('');  
      localStorage.setItem('app_encryption_key', key);  
    }  
  
    // Convert to CryptoKey  
    const keyData = new TextEncoder().encode(key);  
    return window.crypto.subtle.importKey(  
      'raw',  
      keyData,  
      { name: 'AES-GCM' },  
      false,  
      ['encrypt', 'decrypt']  
    );  
  },  
  
  // Encrypt a value  
  async encrypt(value) {  
    const key = await this.getEncryptionKey();  
  
    // Create initialization vector  
    const iv = window.crypto.getRandomValues(new Uint8Array(12));  
  
    // Encrypt  
    const encodedValue = new TextEncoder().encode(JSON.stringify(value));  
    const encryptedBuffer = await window.crypto.subtle.encrypt(  
      { name: 'AES-GCM', iv },  
      key,  
      encodedValue  
    );  
  
    // Convert to base64  
    const encryptedArray = Array.from(new Uint8Array(encryptedBuffer));  
    const encryptedBase64 = btoa(String.fromCharCode.apply(null, encryptedArray));  
    const ivBase64 = btoa(String.fromCharCode.apply(null, Array.from(iv)));  
  
    return `${ivBase64}.${encryptedBase64}`;  
  }  
};
```

```

},

// Decrypt a value
async decrypt(encryptedValue) {
    try {
        const key = await this.getEncryptionKey();

        // Split IV and data
        const [ivBase64, encryptedBase64] = encryptedValue.split('.');

        // Convert from base64
        const iv = new Uint8Array(
            atob(ivBase64).split('').map(c => c.charCodeAt(0))
        );
        const encryptedArray = new Uint8Array(
            atob(encryptedBase64).split('').map(c => c.charCodeAt(0))
        );

        // Decrypt
        const decryptedBuffer = await window.crypto.subtle.decrypt(
            { name: 'AES-GCM', iv },
            key,
            encryptedArray
        );

        // Decode
        const decodedValue = new TextDecoder().decode(decryptedBuffer);
        return JSON.parse(decodedValue);
    } catch (error) {
        console.error('Decryption error:', error);
        return null;
    }
},

// Secure set item
async setItem(key, value) {
    const encryptedValue = await this.encrypt(value);
    localStorage.setItem(key, encryptedValue);
},

// Secure get item
async getItem(key) {
    const encryptedValue = localStorage.getItem(key);
    if (!encryptedValue) return null;
    return await this.decrypt(encryptedValue);
},

```

```
// Remove item  
removeItem(key) {  
    localStorage.removeItem(key);  
}  
};  
  
// Usage example:  
// Instead of localStorage.setItem('sensitive_data', JSON.stringify(data))  
// Use: await secureStorage.setItem('sensitive_data', data)
```

## 4. Implement Token Refresh and Proper Token Handling

The current token handling could be improved to reduce the risk of token theft.

### Implementation:





*// Add to auth.js*

```
async function refreshAuthToken() {
  try {
    // Only refresh if we're within 5 minutes of expiration
    const { data: { session } } = await supabase.auth.getSession();

    if (!session) return null;

    // Check if token is about to expire (within 5 minutes)
    const expiresAt = session.expires_at * 1000; // Convert to milliseconds
    const fiveMinutesFromNow = Date.now() + 5 * 60 * 1000;

    if (expiresAt < fiveMinutesFromNow) {
      console.log('Token about to expire, refreshing...');
      const { data, error } = await supabase.auth.refreshSession();

      if (error) throw error;

      return data.session;
    }

    return session;
  } catch (error) {
    console.error('Error refreshing token:', error);
    return null;
  }
}
```

*// Add a timer to check token expiration periodically*

```
function startTokenRefreshTimer() {
  // Check every 4 minutes
  const intervalId = setInterval(async () => {
    if (isLoggedIn()) {
      try {
        await refreshAuthToken();
      } catch (error) {
        console.error('Error in token refresh timer:', error);
      }
    } else {
      // User is logged out, stop checking
      clearInterval(intervalId);
    }
  }, 4 * 60 * 1000);
}
```

*// Call startTokenRefreshTimer when the user logs in*

```
document.addEventListener('login-state-changed', function(event) {  
    if (event.detail && event.detail.loggedIn) {  
        startTokenRefreshTimer();  
    }  
});
```

## 5. Input Validation and Content Sanitization

The app should validate all user inputs and sanitize content to prevent XSS attacks.

### Implementation:



```
// Add to a new file called validation.js
const validation = {
  // Sanitize HTML content to prevent XSS
  sanitizeHtml(html) {
    if (!html) return '';

    // Create a DOMParser to parse the HTML
    const parser = new DOMParser();
    const doc = parser.parseFromString(html, 'text/html');

    // Remove potentially dangerous elements and attributes
    const sanitize = (node) => {
      // If this is a text node, return as is
      if (node.nodeType === Node.TEXT_NODE) {
        return;
      }

      // Remove script tags completely
      if (node.tagName === 'SCRIPT') {
        node.parentNode.removeChild(node);
        return;
      }

      // Remove dangerous attributes
      const dangerousAttrs = ['onclick', 'onload', 'onerror', 'onmouseover', 'onmouseout'];
      dangerousAttrs.forEach(attr => {
        if (node.hasAttribute(attr) && node.hasAttribute(attr)) {
          node.removeAttribute(attr);
        }
      });

      // For style attribute, only allow safe properties
      if (node.hasAttribute('style') && node.hasAttribute('style')) {
        const style = node.getAttribute('style');
        // Remove any url or expression
        if (style.includes('url(') || style.includes('expression(')) {
          node.removeAttribute('style');
        }
      }
    }

    // Recursively sanitize children
    if (node.childNodes) {
      Array.from(node.childNodes).forEach(sanitize);
    }
  }
};
```

```

    // Start sanitizing from the body
    sanitize(doc.body);

    // Return the sanitized HTML
    return doc.body.innerHTML;
  },

  // Validate email format
  validateEmail(email) {
    const emailRegex = /^[a-zA-Z0-9._-]+@[a-zA-Z0-9.-]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,6}$/;
    return emailRegex.test(email);
  },

  // Validate date format (YYYY-MM-DD)
  validateDate(date) {
    const dateRegex = /^\d{4}-\d{2}-\d{2}$/;
    if (!dateRegex.test(date)) return false;

    // Check if it's a valid date
    const parsedDate = new Date(date);
    return !isNaN(parsedDate.getTime());
  },

  // Validate phone number (UK format)
  validatePhoneUK(phone) {
    const phoneRegex = /^((\+44)|(0))[0-9]{10}$/;
    return phoneRegex.test(phone);
  }
};

// Then use this for validation and sanitization:
// const sanitizedContent = validation.sanitizeHtml(updateEditor.root.innerHTML);
// if (!validation.validateEmail(email)) {
//   throw new Error('Invalid email format');
// }

```

## 6. Implement CSRF Protection

Although Supabase handles CSRF protection internally, add an extra layer of security for sensitive operations.

### Implementation:

javascript

```
// Add to app.js
function generateCsrfToken() {
    const token = Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15) +
        Math.random().toString(36).substring(2, 15);

    // Store in sessionStorage
    sessionStorage.setItem('csrfToken', token);
    return token;
}

function validateCsrfToken(token) {
    const storedToken = sessionStorage.getItem('csrfToken');

    // Remove the token after checking (one-time use)
    sessionStorage.removeItem('csrfToken');

    return token === storedToken;
}

// Then use for sensitive operations:
// In the form submission handler:
// const csrfToken = document.getElementById('csrf-token').value;
// if (!validateCsrfToken(csrfToken)) {
//     throw new Error('Invalid security token');
// }

// Add a hidden input to sensitive forms:
// <input type="hidden" id="csrf-token" name="csrf-token" value="{generateCsrfToken()}">
```

## 7. Implement Rate Limiting

Protect against brute force attacks by implementing rate limiting.

### Implementation:



```

// Add to auth.js
const loginAttempts = {
  count: 0,
  resetTime: 0,
  maxAttempts: 5,
  lockoutDuration: 15 * 60 * 1000 // 15 minutes
};

// Modify handleAuth function to include rate limiting
async function handleAuth(e) {
  e.preventDefault();

  // Check for rate limiting
  const now = Date.now();

  // If we're in a lockout period
  if (loginAttempts.resetTime > now) {
    const remainingMinutes = Math.ceil((loginAttempts.resetTime - now) / 60000);

    const errorElem = document.getElementById('auth-error');
    errorElem.querySelector('p').textContent =
      `Too many login attempts. Please try again in ${remainingMinutes} minutes.`;
    errorElem.classList.remove('d-none');

    return;
  }

  // Reset attempts if the lockout period has passed
  if (loginAttempts.resetTime > 0 && loginAttempts.resetTime <= now) {
    loginAttempts.count = 0;
    loginAttempts.resetTime = 0;
  }

  // Original Login Logic...
  try {
    // Login Logic here...

    // On successful login, reset login attempts
    loginAttempts.count = 0;
    loginAttempts.resetTime = 0;
  } catch (error) {
    // Increment failed attempts
    loginAttempts.count++;

    // If exceeded max attempts, set lockout
  }
}

```



```
if (loginAttempts.count >= loginAttempts.maxAttempts) {  
    loginAttempts.resetTime = now + loginAttempts.lockoutDuration;  
  
    const errorElem = document.getElementById('auth-error');  
    errorElem.querySelector('p').textContent =  
        `Too many failed login attempts. Please try again in 15 minutes.`;  
    errorElem.classList.remove('d-none');  
  
    return;  
}  
  
    // Normal error handling...  
}  
}
```

## 8. Secure Logout Process

Improve the logout process to ensure all tokens are properly invalidated.

### Implementation:



*// Modify the Logout function in auth.js*

```
async function logout() {  
  // Prevent multiple calls  
  if (logoutInProgress) {  
    console.log("Logout already in progress, ignoring duplicate call");  
    return;  
  }  
  
  logoutInProgress = true;  
  console.log("Attempting to logout user...");  
  
  try {  
    // 1. Sign out from Supabase (invalidate server-side tokens)  
    await supabase.auth.signOut({ scope: 'global' });  
  
    // 2. Clear all authentication data from storage  
    localStorage.removeItem('supabase.auth.token');  
    localStorage.removeItem('supabase.auth.expires_at');  
    sessionStorage.removeItem('supabase.auth.token');  
  
    // 3. Remove token from all cookie storage  
    document.cookie.split(';').forEach(cookie => {  
      const [name] = cookie.trim().split('=');  
      if (name.includes('supabase') || name.includes('sb-')) {  
        document.cookie = `${name}=; expires=Thu, 01 Jan 1970 00:00:00 UTC; path=/;`;  
      }  
    });  
  
    // 4. Clear global variables  
    currentUser = null;  
    userProfile = null;  
  
    // 5. Update UI  
    showLoggedOutState();  
  
    // 6. Notify service worker to clear any cached authenticated responses  
    if (navigator.serviceWorker && navigator.serviceWorker.controller) {  
      navigator.serviceWorker.controller.postMessage({  
        type: 'LOGOUT',  
        timestamp: Date.now()  
      });  
    }  
  
    // Success message  
    showNotification('Success', 'You have been securely logged out.', 'success');  
  } catch (error) {
```

```
console.error("Error during logout:", error);

// Try a fallback approach
localStorage.clear();
sessionStorage.clear();
window.location.reload();
} finally {
  logoutInProgress = false;
}
}
```

## 9. Secure WebSocket Handling

The Supabase realtime connection needs proper handling to prevent security issues.

### Implementation:



```

// Add to app.js
function setupSecureRealtimeChannel() {
  // Only set up realtime subscriptions after authentication
  document.addEventListener('login-state-changed', async function(event) {
    if (!event.detail || !event.detail.loggedIn) {
      // Unsubscribe from all channels when logged out
      supabase.removeAllChannels();
      return;
    }

    try {
      // Subscribe to profile changes - limit to just the user's own profile
      const userId = getUserId();

      const profileChannel = supabase
        .channel('profile-changes')
        .on(
          'postgres_changes',
          {
            event: '*',
            schema: 'public',
            table: 'profiles',
            filter: `id=eq.${userId}`
          },
          (payload) => {
            console.log('Profile changed:', payload);
            // Update cached profile data
            if (userProfile && userProfile.id === payload.new.id) {
              userProfile = payload.new;
            }
          }
        )
        .subscribe();

      // Subscribe to prayer updates - all users can see updates
      const updatesChannel = supabase
        .channel('updates-changes')
        .on(
          'postgres_changes',
          {
            event: '*',
            schema: 'public',
            table: 'prayer_updates'
          },
          (payload) => {
            console.log('Update changed:', payload);

```

```

        // Refresh data if on the updates view
        if (document.getElementById('updates-view') &&
            !document.getElementById('updates-view').classList.contains('d-none')) {
            loadPrayerUpdates();
        }
    }
}

)
.subscribe();

// Store channel references for later cleanup
window.activeChannels = {
    profile: profileChannel,
    updates: updatesChannel
};
} catch (error) {
    console.error('Error setting up realtime channels:', error);
}
});
}

// Clean up channels on Logout
function cleanupRealtimeChannels() {
    if (window.activeChannels) {
        for (const key in window.activeChannels) {
            if (window.activeChannels[key]) {
                supabase.removeChannel(window.activeChannels[key]);
            }
        }
        window.activeChannels = {};
    }
}

```

## 10. Implement Secure File Uploads for Profile Images

The profile image upload functionality should include validation and scanning.

### Implementation:





```

// Add to profile.js
async function handleProfileImageUpload(file) {
  // 1. Validate the file
  if (!file) {
    throw new Error('No file selected');
  }

  // Check file type
  const allowedTypes = ['image/jpeg', 'image/png', 'image/gif'];
  if (!allowedTypes.includes(file.type)) {
    throw new Error('Please select a valid image file (JPEG, PNG, or GIF)');
  }

  // Check file size (max 2MB)
  const maxSize = 2 * 1024 * 1024; // 2MB
  if (file.size > maxSize) {
    throw new Error('Image size must be less than 2MB');
  }

  // 2. Resize and compress the image
  try {
    const resizedFile = await resizeImage(file, 800, 800);

    // 3. Create a unique filename with user ID
    const userId = getUserId();
    const timestamp = Date.now();
    const fileExt = file.name.split('.').pop();
    const filename = `profile_${userId}_${timestamp}.${fileExt}`;

    // 4. Upload to Supabase Storage
    const { data, error } = await supabase.storage
      .from('profiles')
      .upload(filename, resizedFile, {
        cacheControl: '3600',
        upsert: true
      });

    if (error) throw error;

    // 5. Get the public URL
    const { publicURL, error: urlError } = supabase.storage
      .from('profiles')
      .getPublicUrl(filename);

    if (urlError) throw urlError;
  }
}

```

```

        return publicURL;
    } catch (error) {
        console.error('Error uploading profile image:', error);
        throw error;
    }
}

```

*// Image resize helper*

```

function resizeImage(file, maxWidth, maxHeight) {
    return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
        const img = new Image();
        img.src = URL.createObjectURL(file);

        img.onload = () => {
            let width = img.width;
            let height = img.height;

            // Calculate new dimensions
            if (width > maxWidth) {
                height = Math.round(height * (maxWidth / width));
                width = maxWidth;
            }

            if (height > maxHeight) {
                width = Math.round(width * (maxHeight / height));
                height = maxHeight;
            }

            // Create canvas for resizing
            const canvas = document.createElement('canvas');
            canvas.width = width;
            canvas.height = height;

            // Draw resized image
            const ctx = canvas.getContext('2d');
            ctx.drawImage(img, 0, 0, width, height);

            // Convert to Blob
            canvas.toBlob(
                (blob) => resolve(blob),
                file.type,
                0.9 // Quality
            );

            // Clean up
            URL.revokeObjectURL(img.src);
        };
    });
}

```

```
img.onerror = () => {  
  URL.revokeObjectURL(img.src);  
  reject(new Error('Failed to load image'));  
};  
});  
}
```

By implementing these security enhancements, you'll significantly improve the security posture of your PECH Prayer Diary application, protecting both your users' data and the integrity of your system.