

Safeguarding Newsletter



The Diocese of
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Emailed to clergy, licensed lay ministers, parish safeguarding officers and churchwardens in the Diocese of Peterborough.

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You can find answers to many of your questions about Safeguarding on the diocesan website at www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/safeguarding. **SAVE this newsletter for reference!** It gives direct links to answers for some of the most frequently asked questions.

1. DBS (formerly CRB) checks – what do I need to do?

Find your DBS Parish guide here: www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/downloads/safeguarding/crdguide.pdf

2. I'm new to the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer, is there anything I need to know?

As the PSO you are the safeguarding designated officer for the Parish! Find information about your role, the safeguarding responsibilities of the Parish and PCC and much more here in these guidelines:

www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/downloads/safeguarding/safeparish-guidelines.pdf

3. We are renewing our Parish Safeguarding Policy. Is there a template we can use for both children and vulnerable adults?

Here is the recommended Parish Safeguarding Policy and Procedure for both children and adults

www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/downloads/safeguarding/policyprocedure.doc

4. I'm a children's volunteer at our church - are there any guidelines for me?

Here is the Church of England recommended code of safer working practice for church workers with children, employed or volunteers www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/downloads/safeguarding/safeguardingchildrencode.pdf

5. There are usually consent forms and other safe working requirements to fulfil. Where can I find these?

The Safer Working Toolkit should meet most of your requirements. You can find it here. www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/code-of-practice/code-of-practice-for-childrens-and-youth-workers#toolkit-sw

6. We're appointing some volunteers - what do we need to know?

The Safer Recruitment Toolkit should meet most of your requirements. You can find it here www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/code-of-practice/safer-recruitment-toolkit

For more detailed individual guidance try here www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/code-of-practice/safe-parish-additional-guidance

7. Is there any Safeguarding training being offered at the moment?

Scheduled Safeguarding training is shown here www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/training/training

8. I don't receive the emails with the Safeguarding updates – how can I get hold of them?

All Safeguarding Newsletters can be found here www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/safeguardingnews

Need more information?

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