

## **Safeguarding Training**

The safeguarding of everyone is an integral part of the life and ministry of our church and it is everyone's responsibility to make sure that everyone is safe. It provides the basis for ensuring that within our parish we provide the safest possible environment to enable everyone to grow and flourish.

There is a basic safeguarding online awareness course that can be completed by any member of the congregation to support awareness raising and a culture of support and vigilance in the church. We would encourage you to complete it, here are the instructions of how to access it:

Go to the Chester Diocese safeguarding training page:

[Book Safeguarding Training | Chester Diocese](#)

Go to the section headed: "E-learning courses available online via the Church of England Safeguarding Training Portal" and click the "Church of England Safeguarding Portal" link.

Now login to an existing account or create a new account as follows:

If you do not have an account, you will need to create one at this point by clicking "Create new account".

You will need to have your e-mail account open if you are creating an account as a link is sent to it.

Complete all the boxes following the online instructions when you get to "Training Institution" leave it as "Not part of a training institution", Diocese is "Chester" from the pull-down menu.

When the 'courses' page is open click on the Basic Awareness course you want to use (choice of standard, enhanced accessibility or British Sign Language).

When you have completed the course there is an opportunity to print a certificate and then please email a copy of your certificate to [safe@congletonparish.org.uk](mailto:safe@congletonparish.org.uk).

The next level is called "Foundation" core training and is for anyone who works with children or adults in a variety of situations e.g. youth group, Shine, luncheon club, choir, bellringers, church wardens, readers, I'm sure I will have missed someone. The online training for this can be accessed as above. When you have completed this level please email a copy of your certificate to [safe@congletonparish.org.uk](mailto:safe@congletonparish.org.uk) in order that the parish record can be updated

It is important that you redo this level every three years.

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