



## Dorset County Association of Church Bell Ringers

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Bell Restoration Fund is a registered charity. Charity number 294239

### SAFEGUARDING POLICY

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This policy should be taken and used as part of the Association's overall strategy and implemented within the context of our purpose and values as an Affiliated Society of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

Members shall be regularly reminded of their responsibilities in this area. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Safeguarding at all activities organised by the Association shall be in line with the Association's Standing Orders (Section 5: Safeguarding) and the current:

- National Legislation
- Advice from the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers <https://cccbr.org.uk>
- Requirements from the House of Bishops of the Church of England
- Rules and Guidelines of the Diocese in which our members ring or are visiting<sup>1</sup>

Every Church of England parish/benefice should have a Nominated Person (a Parish Safeguarding Officer) who deals with Safeguarding within their parish/benefice. These should be the first point of contact for:

- Advice on the parishes / benefices policies and procedures
- Undertaking Safeguarding Training
- Obtaining a DBS certificate
- Dealing with any potential incidents

The Association has a Safeguarding Officer who also can provide:

- Advice on Bell Ringing policies and procedures
- How to undertake Safeguarding Training
- A DBS certificate (via the Diocese of Salisbury)
- Support with dealing with any potential incidents

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<sup>1</sup> Advice from Dioceses which have churches in Dorset can be found at:

Diocese of Salisbury: <http://www.salisbury.anglican.org/parishes/safeguarding>

Diocese of Winchester: <https://winchester.anglican.org/safeguarding>

Diocese of Bath and Wells: <https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/parish-support/safeguarding>