

Parish Safeguarding Dashboard

On behalf of Bishop Robert and all his senior staff, we would really welcome and encourage all our Parishes to sign-up to the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard. This is a great new tool that helps PCCs measure how they are doing with meeting all the Church of England's Safeguarding requirements for parishes.

Here are some comments from those already reaping the benefits of the Dashboard:

- 'We adopted the Safeguarding Dashboard as a way of helping us keep track of our Safeguarding responsibilities. It has made the whole process of keeping on top of what needs to be done very much easier!' *Steve Richards, PSR, Parish of Combe Martin*
- 'We were pleased to see how user friendly the Dashboard was to obtain administrator access and then to work with. We use the Action Plan as a basis for reviewing our Safeguarding responsibilities and compliance. We share the Action Plan prior to key PCC meetings and review the contents during the meeting. This makes our discussions much more focused and productive. We can confidently say that our safeguarding compliance has greatly improved using this tool.' *Sue Harvey, Safeguarding Lead, Parishes in Haldon Mission Community*
- 'Our Parish Safeguarding Representative recently stepped aside to become PCC Secretary, so a successor was needed. Being elected to the safeguarding role was made so much simpler for me as the Dashboard made it perfectly clear what steps I needed to take, including dates when various actions were required. Safeguarding is a crucial issue for us all, and the clarity offered by the Dashboard is a great support in carrying out a role where mistakes can lead to harmful consequences. I'm surprised that anyone should be reluctant to use the Safeguarding Dashboard.' *John Steere, PSR, Parish of Stoke Damarel*

There is a useful demonstration video on our Parish Safeguarding Dashboard webpage that will show you how the Dashboard works and how easy it is to use:

<https://exeter.anglican.org/resources/safeguarding/parish-dashboard/>

To register your parish to use the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard tool please email safeguardingenquiry@exeter.anglican.org with the name, role title and email address of the person being nominated as the owner (editor) of your parish's Dashboard.