

Known offenders statement

In line with guidance from the House of Bishops, Section 3.1 of [Key Roles and Responsibilities of Church Office Holders and Bodies Practice Guidance \(2017\)](#) states that the incumbent and PCC will:

"Ensure that known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults are effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser."

In these circumstances the DSA will

- undertake a full risk assessment &
- put in place a risk management plan called a Safeguarding Agreement
 1. to safeguard the church family,
 2. to support the person concerned
 3. to set out how the situation will be monitored
- This is done in consultation with the Incumbent, the wardens, PSO, the person concerned & any statutory agencies involved eg police, probation service, social workers etc.

Although the PCC have overall responsibility for Safeguarding, they may not be aware of a Safeguarding agreement, due to confidentiality.

Confirmation was given to the PCC that those concerned would co-operate fully with the DSA in this process.

Re-affirmed date - 17th September 2025