

PRIORY CHURCH DEEPING ST JAMES

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Safeguarding is a priority concern here at Priory Church Deeping St James and we take seriously the guidance provided by the Diocese of Lincoln to ensure that the safety and wellbeing of all visitors to the church is paramount and our policies and actions are compliant. We adopt the policies of 'Promoting a Safer Church' where we actively promote the welfare of all who are vulnerable. We work together to prevent harm from occurring. Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of this church and we have provided training for all members of the PCC in this very area. We are committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children and vulnerable adults
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation

All of our children's church volunteers have been DBS checked as well as all persons with a significant role or responsibility within the church family such as organist, church wardens etc. If you wish to make a disclosure or concern known to our Parish Safeguarding Officer then please complete a form from the Safeguarding clipboard placed on the table at the back of church or simply contact our PSO on the details below.

If you have a safeguarding concern in relation to this church then please contact Ted Fisk (Parish Safeguarding Officer) at safeguarding@dsj.org.uk or 07799 667846

If you wish to speak to someone outside the church you can contact the diocesan safeguarding team - their contact details are available at:

<https://www.lincoln.anglican.org/safeguarding-overview> .

There is also information there about other places from where you can get help or advice.