



# The Central Council of Church Bellringers

## Safeguarding Mission Statement

The Central Council for Church Bellringers (CCCBR) takes its safeguarding responsibilities seriously, believing that all ringers should feel safe and valued while involved in all aspects of bellringing

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. The welfare of a child, young person and vulnerable adult is at all times paramount, and takes precedence over all other considerations.

The CCCBR will seek to support the entire ringing community to develop best practice in safeguarding by:

1. providing advice around the development of robust policies and processes for affiliated societies and other groups;
2. publishing clear guidelines of how to respond to concerns or allegations;
3. developing a relationship with the Church of England and other relevant bodies in order that ringers and ringing can be properly represented when church policy is formed or revised;
4. encouraging all ringers to promote a positive safeguarding culture where everyone is treated with respect and dignity; and
5. apply these principles to its own work and the welfare of its volunteers by:
  - a. implementing robust safeguarding policies & procedures; and
  - b. ensuring that relevant training has been provided.

To this end, the CCCBR will appoint suitably qualified and experienced Safeguarding Officers who, together with the Trustees of the CCCBR, will address the above in co-operation with the Safeguarding Leads of affiliated societies and others.