

# PARISH of CHRISTCHURCH

## Health and Safety Policy Statement

The PCC is mindful of its responsibilities to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of all members of the congregation, contractors, visitors and others whilst in church and any associated buildings.

## General Policy Statement

In furtherance of the above statement and the need to ensure compliance with the relevant health and safety legislation the PCC will pay particular attention to the following:

- A healthy working environment;
- A safe means of access and egress for all persons who enter church premises;
- Suitable and sufficient information, instruction, training to enable all to comply with the health and safety policy;
- That the provision and maintenance of all plant, and equipment will be safe and with minimal risk to health;
- Volunteers and employees shall not work alone with out ensuring that adequate backup and assistance can be summoned in an emergency;
- Any high level work should only be undertaken by suitably trained persons ;
- Any users of church premises are requested to be observant and comply with safety notices and to draw to the attention of the Vicar, Churchwardens or PCC members any safety concerns they may have;

The policy will be kept up to date, particularly in the light of any changes to our buildings or activities. To ensure this, the policy and the way in which it has operated will be reviewed regularly and the appropriate changes made.

Signed: .....  
Vicar of Christchurch

Date: .....

Review date: .....