

NAME OF CHURCH: **St Peter-in-Ely**

ADDRESS: **Broad Street, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4BQ**

As a church we understand that we owe a duty of care to ensure the safety of those who visit or use our church, hall or churchyard.

We also know that, where we are an employer or control premises in certain circumstances, we have to meet the requirements of health and safety law.

In particular, we know that were we are an employer having five or more employees, we would be required to have a written health and safety policy. We have drafted this policy note not only to meet our duty under Section 2(3) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, but to ensure that we have considered risks arising from our activities in St Peter's Church and St Peter's House.

#### **GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY:**

Our policy is to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that our activities are carried out safely and do not pose a risk to the health of our employees, volunteers, congregation, visitors and others who may use the church, churchyard or any other building we are responsible for. This will be in accordance with good practice and any relevant statutory provisions where they apply.

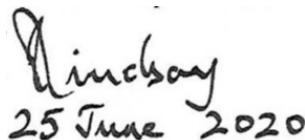
We, the Trustees of St Peter's Church, accept overall responsibility for this. We will ensure that adequate resources are made available to achieve this objective. Any decisions we make will have due regard for it.

We will appoint a trustee to have specific responsibility for this policy and its implementation. We will keep health and safety matters under review at appropriate intervals. We will monitor the effectiveness of the policy, amending it where we believe it is no longer valid.

It is the duty of each employee and volunteer to exercise personal responsibility for their own safety and that of others. This policy will be brought to their attention. We will try to ensure that everyone involved with the church plays his or her part in its implementation.

Further detail about our organisation and arrangements for managing health and safety is set out in our policy document. A copy of it will be kept in the Church and St Peter's House and made available to others on request.

Signed:

  
Michaela Fincham

Date:

25 June 2020

*On behalf of the Trustees of St Peter's Church as agreed at a meeting on 25 June 2020*