

# **Security Policy**



# All Saints' Church, Walsoken

Please refer to Church document H&S\_Doc\_001 for all General Health & Safety requirements

# **Specific Policy**

This Health & Safety (H&S) sub-policy controls security at church.

Our church security policy is a formal set of processes we put in place to protect the congregation, property, and assets from potential threats. These threats include natural disasters, violence, theft, emergencies, or accidents.

This policy along with other church policies control.

- 1) Safety of the congregation. This policy ensures that all the attendees are protected from all potential threats.
- 2) **Protection against violence**. This policy outlines preventive measures to reduce the risk of attacks or violent incidents. See church policy S&S Doc 029
- 3) **Emergency Preparedness.** This involves providing clear procedures for dealing with emergencies within the church premises.
- 4) **Child and Vulnerable Person Protection**. The policy safeguards vulnerable people. See church policy S&S Doc 031
- 5) Safeguarding Assets. This involves the protection of church property, donations from theft and damage.
- 6) **Disaster Planning and Communication**. This policy establishes efficient procedures for reporting and responding to incidents.
- 7) **Legal and Insurance Compliance**. This church security policy helps the church to meet legal requirements and reduce liability risks.
- 8) Creating a secure worship environment. This policy reassures the congregation that their safety is a priority

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all church members, staff, visitors, and property are safe and secure within the church premises during services, events, activities and when open to the public.

This church security policy applies to all individuals on the church property, including volunteers, congregational members, contractors, and visitors.

### **Reference Documents**

The Health and Safety at Work Act 1974

### **Procedure**

## Responsibility

The church PCC are responsible for ensuring church security, as.

- 1) Monitor the church premises during services, open times and events.
- 2) Respond to security incidents or emergencies.
- 3) Assist in responding to alarms.

### **Risk Assessment**

The church PCC should be risk aware in identifying potential security threats that are specific to the church's location. They should also review the premises for vulnerable areas, assess the local crime trends, and adjust the security measures according to changes.

#### **Access Control**

A church security policy should outline who has church keys and who has access to more restricted church areas.

#### **Roof Alarm**

A perimeter roof alarm system is fitted.

#### **Smartwater**

Smartwater is applied to the roof.

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#### **CCTV**

See church policy S&S\_Doc\_028

# **Vulnerable People**

See church policy S&S\_Doc\_031

# **Dangerous Objects**

See church policy H&S\_Doc\_015

#### **Media Communication**

See church policy H&S\_Doc\_013

### **Fire Precautions**

See church policy H&S\_Doc\_011

# **Accidents, Incidents and First Aid**

See church policy H&S\_Doc\_009

# **Legal Compliance**

See church policy GOV\_Doc\_000

# **Data Protection (GDPR)**

See church policy S&S\_Doc\_016

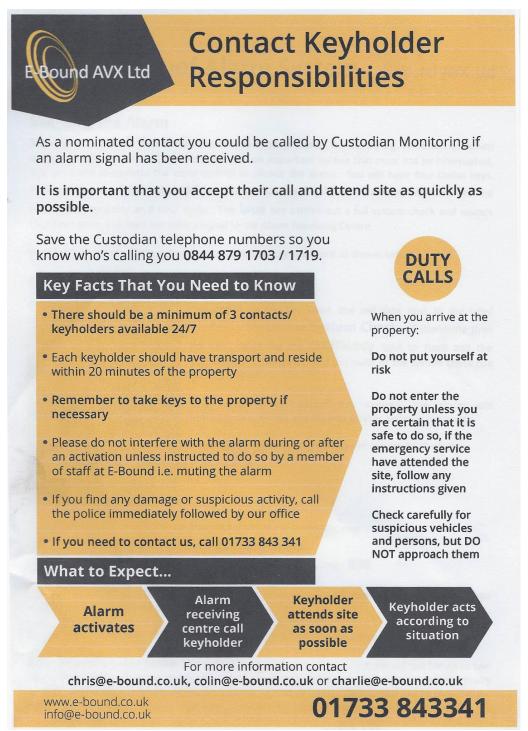
# **Forms**

None

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# **Diagrams**

Diagram 1. E-Bound Contact Keyholder Responsibilities



# **Appendices**

None

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