Risk assessment

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Statement of general policy:

It is the policy of the Diocese and of the Parish that a healthy and safe environment is provided at all times. The law places a particular duty on both the owner of the property, the Diocese, and the occupier of the property, the parish priest/ priest in charge. Those with specific duties in the parish such as adult servers and sacristans and committee members are also asked to take a supporting role.

Account is to be taken of all who use the buildings, whether Church, Hall or Presbytery or any other building. This may include the following, employees, office holders (eg Clergy), volunteers, visitors (eg parishioners), non-employees working on the premises, children, disabled, non-English speakers, new or expectant mothers, temporary workers, trainees. It is the duty of all to comply with this policy.

The buildings and equipment in use within are to be properly provided and maintained and those who use equipment to be properly trained in its use.

Emergency procedures involving evacuation in case of fire or other significant incident are to be established.

All are welcome to comment on the general policy or on any aspect of health and safety to the Diocese.

Parish/ Chapel of Ease/ Chaplaincy	St Anne's Buxton	Date of assessment: 06/11/2022	By: M Swift (K Swift/T Langer)	Signed (parish priest):
Date of Review		Outstanding items actioned?	Yes / No / Some	Signed
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Health and safety poster displayed at: (Employers' Liability Insurance certificate now on website)	First-aid box(es) located at:	Accident book is located at:
Sacristy	Sacristy/Parish Office/Parish	Parish Centre
Parish Office	Centre	Sacristy

Accidents and ill health at work reported under RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations) http://www.hse.gov.uk/riddor Combined risk assessment and policy template published by the Health and Safety Executive 08/14 and modified for use by the Diocese of Nottingham

ALL PARISHES MUST CONDUCT A RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW AT LEAST ANNUALLY. A risk assessment template is provided below. It is in a standard form and MUST be adapted to the particular circumstances of YOUR Parish by crossing out items not applicable and using the spare rows at the end. Suggestions for additions and alteration of the standard questions are welcomed and should be sent to the H&S Property Officer. hspropertyofficer@dioceseofnottingham.uk

CHURCH

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Trips and slips: Tripping hazards: Damaged floor	All, from falling	General good housekeeping All areas well lit, including stairs and light	No, areas are well monitored			
coverings, potholes, sunken drains, loose		bulbs replaced				
cables		All areas kept clear - nothing placed in corridors, on stairs or blocking exit	No			
		Cables tied up and no trailing leads	No		/5	
		Holes in church floor, some uneven areas Different height floors – use of warning tape	Yes – fill in holes and even out dips Yes – needs to be regularly renewed	PS (volunteer) PPC	Nov/Dec 2022 Ongoing	
Slipping hazards: Spillages, wet floors, water brought in on		Procedures for drying up of spills and wet generally	No			
shoes		Use of suitable mats at entrance areas	No, mats in place and wet floor signs used.	PP/PPC	Ongoing	
		Check for uneven/raised flooring	No, visual checks completed			
			Some areas of flooring are becoming worn and cracked. Need to continue to monitor			
			Cracked area in main aisle needs monitoring			

Stairs and other raised areas eg	All users, especially the young and old and infirm	Prominent nosings	No			
sanctuary, ambos, access to choir lofts		Use of different colours to highlight changes in levels and properly lit	No			
610		Handrails or balustrades if necessary	No			
		Restrict access if necessary	N/a at this time			
Hanging items, bells crucifixes, lights etc	Danger if standing underneath	Stability test and instruction to external contractor if in doubt about safety	No, but ongoing monitoring		Ongoing	
Masonry eg finials, parapets, statues, crosses, monuments, roof tiles	All who are nearby	Visual check (higher level with binoculars), hand check of stability (low level) and specialist check if necessary particularly of the bonding	Visual checks	PP/PPC	Ongoing and during any roof work	
		Routine check especially after bad weather	Need to monitor	Roofing contractor	As required	
Glazing	All from being cut or from walking into it	Use of safety glass especially at low level	Safety glass used		Ongoing	
		Manifestations on glass	Not required			
		Regular check for cracked or broken glass	No, visual checks carried out and routine monitoring	PP/PPC	Ongoing monitoring	
Inflammable or hazardous materials such as cleaning liquids	All, by poison or fire Those using them by skin irritation	Properly marked and safely stored in protected area Instructions checked and followed and gloves available if required	No, in storeroom with limited access Notices applied to doors No			
		Flammable materials kept away from sources of heat	Stored in cool storeroom			
		Data safety sheets available	Available on products Users directed to instructions on product.			

Electrical equipment	All users	Inspection for damage or frayed wires prior to use Additional portable appliance testing if necessary because of heavy usage	No, visual checks are carried out No, visual checks carried out and PAT tested if required			
		Water fountain – nearby plug sockets	Yes – ensure that it is not situated by the plug sockets	PP/PPC	Ongoing	
Manual handling	All who perform this	Break down of bulk into manageable sizes and weights	No – poster displayed Priests, employees and volunteers adhere to safe systems of work			
		Use of trollies	Not required at the moment			
Equipment in use eg step ladders,	All who use the equipment and all in the vicinity	Withdrawn from use immediately any doubt arises over safety	No			
gardening tools, kneelers, chairs, tables		All items regularly checked and put away when not in use where possible	No, visual checks carried out by users and stored safely			
		Use of "working at height" advice	No, very limited people affected (apart from contractors) advice would be given and used			
Works carried out by volunteers and others connected with the parish	All including the volunteers and visitors	Method statement, risk assessment and training if necessary. No dangerous works permitted: working on roofs; with utilities; with application of heat.	No, people are advised to work with due regard to H&S and advice given if required. PP has received training, PPC rep is H&S experienced			
		Work authorised by responsible person if not parish priest	Any work is authorised by PP/PPC			

External contractors	All including the external contractors themselves and visitors	Evidence of Public Liability insurance at £1m or £5m for dangerous works: working on roofs; with utilities; with application of heat.	Reputable contractors are checked and used only with appropriate PLI.	PP/PPC		
		Advice given of any asbestos present, may need specialist.	Yes – asbestos reports are available if required. Reports available if required. No risk at the moment	PP/PPC		
		Evidence of their risk assessment and method statement especially over asbestos	No, reputable contractors are used, and RA are requested and seen			
		Use of standard contract, membership of trade/professional body, membership of H&S scheme etc checked as appropriate	No, reputable contractors are used	PP/PPC/Project manager		
		Cordoning off area of works	No, areas cordoned off correctly if required with hazard tape	All		
Stagnant water –	All - Legionella disease risk	Regular use of taps	No, all taps are regularly used.			
esp. between 20- 45C creates a high risk		Permanent removal of "dead legs"	No			
		Insulation of roof tanks etc	No			
Safeguarding incidents	All – but primarily Children and vulnerable adults	Safeguarding Rep in the parish Adults DBS'd as required	No, Parish has a Safeguarding rep and all procedures are followed. Volunteers have DBS	Safeguarding Rep/PP	Ongoing PP has received	Oct 2022
		Information available in the parish for all users for Safeguarding contacts, CSAS	Update required for some volunteers Posters displayed	Safeguarding Rep/PPC	safeguarding training Safeguarding	Dec 2022
		procedures website, Diocesan safeguarding website page, volunteer Code of Conduct etc	Information on website/signposted to Diocesan website Update received from Diocesan	PPC	rep will receive training before roll out to	
			Safeguarding Lead		volunteers	Mar 2023
Injury	All who use the building	First Aid kit easily accessible & fit for purpose	No – First Aid kit available in the Sacristy (small one at back of church) in Presbytery	PP/Parish Assistant	Ongoing	
		First Aid kit replenished as used	Replenished as required Sign displayed			
L		Accident book available	Available			

Lone Working	Driegte and parish stoff/valuntaers	Advised to have mobile phane on person	No. Any lone valuntaers and DD	PP/Visitors/	
Lone working	Priests and parish staff/volunteers	Advised to have mobile phone on person	No - Any lone volunteers and PP		
			have mobile phone.	Volunteers	
		Advise someone of presence in building	No - Parish volunteers are advised		
		Lock doors not in use	No - doors are locked whenever		
			possible		
Parish activities and	All	Additional risk assessment for each event	N/A – parish events are not held in		
events e.g. Coffee			church		
mornings, summer		Review events/activities periodically to	N/A		
fair, food bank,		ensure safe running and a need			
homeless shelter,		oneard date ranning and a ridea			
pilgrimage, youth		Only "safe" second hand items to be sold	N/A		
group etc.		Only sale second hand items to be sold	IN/A		
group etc.		Charle Ellia Whittam wahaita far aafatu	N/A for church events		
		Check Ellis Whittam website for safety	IN/A for church events		
		advice and with CIS over insurance if unsure			
Vacant properties	Trespassers and others	Secure from access, structure safe, services	No vacant properties		
		isolated	The result properties		
		lociatod			
		Checked after adverse weather			
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		In a company in farmer and			
Di	All	Insurers informed			
Plumbing	All	Pipes and taps, particularly external ones,	No		
		lagged.			
Challenging	All, particularly the clergy	Investigated and reported to the police as	No, users are aware and follow		
behaviour		appropriate	procedure		
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First Aid	All	First Aid kit and accident book available at clearly marked location Nominated person to check contents are maintained and in date All required to report accidents and near misses.	First Aid kit available and sign displayed No, checked and replenished by Parish Assistant Accident books available and kept up to date as required			
		First Aid appointed person	Yes – need to identify an appointed first aider	PP/PPC	Dec 2022	
Coronavirus	All	Local conditions and advice monitored and followed	Monitor local guidance and updates from the Diocese			
		Hand sanitiser available at entrances	Hand sanitiser and masks are available			
		Additional restrictions in place when advised	Monitor guidance and updates from Government and Diocese			
Flower room/toilet	PP/parishioners/visitors/staff		Room due to be refurbished Jan - Mar 2023	External contractors	Jan – Mar 2023 2023	
Low ceiling		Need to alert users	Notice needed			
Step		Need to alert users	Warning tape	PPC/volunteer	Dec 2022	
Worn flooring Old sockets			Replace flooring Remove	PPC/volunteer	Dec 2022	

PARISH OFFICE / ADMINISTRATION

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Trips and slips: Tripping hazards:	All, from falling	General good housekeeping	No			
Damaged floor coverings, potholes, sunken drains, loose		All areas well lit, including stairs and light bulbs replaced	Light bulbs replaced as required. Parish office lighting poor, additional desk lamp now used			
cables		All areas kept clear - nothing placed in corridors, on stairs or blocking exit	No			
		Cables tied up and no trailing leads	No			
		Procedures for drying up of spills and wet generally	No. Wet floor signs and mops readily available			
Slipping hazards: Spillages, wet floors, water brought in on		Use of suitable mats at entrance areas	No			
shoes		Check for uneven/raised flooring	No			
Works carried out by volunteers and others connected with the parish	All including the volunteers and visitors	Method statement, risk assessment and training if necessary and particular attention to be paid to working at height advice eg before light bulb changing	No, people are advised to work with due regard to H&S and advice given if required. PP is trained and PPC rep has H&S experience			
		Work authorised by responsible person if not parish priest	No, work authorised by PP, PPC rep, Parish Assistant			
Electrical equipment	All users	Inspection for damage or frayed wires prior to use	No, visual checks carried out			
		Additional portable appliance testing if necessary because of heavy usage	No heavy usage of electrical equipment			

Manual handling	All who perform this	Break down of bulk into manageable sizes and	No, PP has training and Parish Assistant			
		weights	has previously received training			
			Direct users to this information (poster in			
			flower room and directed to HSE website:			
		Use of trollies	https://www.hse.gov.uk/toolbox/manual.htm			
			as required)			
			Not required			
Workstations	All who use this	Induction	No (only Parish Assistant)			
		Good housekeeping carried out ensuring tidy	No			
		work area				
		Adequate lighting	Additional lighting in office provided			
		Display-screen self-assessment, forms available	No, but available if required			
		HSE best practice available	No, available if required			
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Staff Welfare	Staff & Visitors	Toilets available	No, available adjacent to Sacristy/Parish			
			Centre			
		Access to refreshment making facilities	No, available in adjacent Presbytery/Parish			
			Centre			
		Employment law & diocesan Personnel manual followed	All available as required			
		New staff induction including H&S, diocesan	No – policies are available in parish office or			
		policies, workplace assessment etc to be	accessed via Diocesan website			
		recorded in personnel files				
Stress	Staff	Procedures and policy detailed in H&S manual	No			
		available on Diocesan website.				
		Staff encouraged to voice any concerns	No as staff meet regularly with PP	PP/staff/	Ongoing	
				volunteers		
Cash	All who handle cash	Count in a safe environment by two people as	No, counting done by volunteers and at least			
		soon as possible then lock in a safe	two people at any time and money locked in			
		·	safe asap			
		Vary route to bank	No, day banked, and route is varied			
		Don't resist attack if it happens	Discussed and agreed			

Coronavirus	All	Local conditions and advice monitored and followed	Monitor local guidance and updates from the Diocese		
		Hand sanitiser available at entrances	Hand sanitiser and masks are available		
		Additional restrictions in place when advised	Monitor guidance and updates from Government and Diocese		

PRIESTS' SECURITY

What are the	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to	Action by	Action by	Done
hazards?		(Cross off if not applicable)	control this risk?	who?	when?	

Lone Working	Priests, parish office staff, volunteers	Mobile telephone on person	No – PP/staff have phone available Volunteers are encouraged to have	PP	Ongoing
Intruders			mobile phone with them		
			Yes – PP to have mobile phone	PP	Ongoing
Aggravated person			available when away from the house		
			Newer model mobile phone to be	PP/Parish	Dec 2022
			used	Assistant	
		Make appointments in advance where	No – diary used	PP/Parish	
		possible and write in diary		Assistant	
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		Alarm in Presbytery	Burglar alarm, but no personal/panic	PP/PPC	Jan 2023
			alarm system. Need to investigate		
		CCTV	N/a		
		External security light, motion activated	No, three external lights, motion		
				PP	Ongoing
			on!		
		Spy hole if solid door	Not required as visitors can be seen		
			from inside at both front and back		
			doors		
		Door chain	No. Chain installed on main front		
			door		
		Window locks	No, secondary glazing fitted		
		Fencing round presbytery	Not practicable		
		External Notice "After 8pm visitors by	Not apparently required at the	PP/Parish	Ongoing
		appointment only"	moment, but monitor with PP	Assistant	monitoring
		Good quality doors & windows	No – some windows have been		
			replaced and some fitted with		
			secondary glazing.		
			Rear porch windows and door		
			relaced		
			N (60)	DD/DDG	
		Panic alarm, tested regularly	Not fitted - no personal/panic alarm	PP/PPC	Jan 2023
			system. Need to investigate		

Accusation of wrong	Priests, parish office staff, volunteers	Advise another place where possible if	Appointments are made with	PP/Parish	Ongoing	
doing			known/reputable contacts.	assistant/PPC		
			Meetings held in room with glass in			
			door to ensure visibility at all times			
			Meetings not arranged with vulnerable people whilst on own.			

GROUNDS, GRAVEYARDS AND CEMETERIES

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Trips and slips: Tripping hazards: Potholes, sunken drains	All, from falling	Monitoring of all path surfaces, including fire escape routes, on a 3 month or 6 month cycle	Paths/surfaces regularly monitored especially in winter months Entrance to Church area needs to patched	PP/PPC PP/PPC	Ongoing Jan 2023	
		Signing for disabled access	No – only one entrance used and ramps available			
Car park	Injury to car park users and others	Delineation of car and pedestrian areas including fire exits	Yes – consider marking bays and 'no parking' areas	PP/PPC	Jan 2023	
		Maintenance of surface from damage	No – Monitored drain/soakaway now cleared annually Entrance around centre area has been repaired and tarmac renewed	PP/PPC	Yearly	
		Removal of transient hazards such as leaves and moss	No, cleared regularly.	PP/PPC	Ongoing	
		External lighting	No, motion sensored, but needs monitoring to ensure effective and bulbs replaced when necessary	PP/PPC	Ongoing	
		Stewards available when busy	Not required			

Steps and ramps	All users, especially the young and old and infirm depending on the height in	Prominent nosings if necessary	N/A			
	question	Properly lit	Yes, need to make sure it is switched on when necessary	PP to monitor	Ongoing	
		Fitted with handrails, wheel rails or balustrades	External handrail at front access to Church has been extended and repaired. Steps to church boiler room have been cleaned and treated, and a handrail has been fitted	PPC rep		
		No fencing/handrail fitted at the front (not used) entrance to church and around the side	Yes. Needs to be assessed and safety measures fitted	PP/PPC/ External contractor	Seek advice during H&S visit	Nov 2022
Freezing weather	All users - slips and trips	Use of shovel to remove snow Availability and use of salt and grit in case of ice	No – available	PP/Parish volunteers	Ongoing in freezing/snowy conditions	
		Closing of area if unsafe	No			
Equipment in use eg, gardening tools, mowers	Those using the equipment and others	Check that they are working properly Mower petrol stored safely	No – visual checks carried out N/A	Parish volunteers		

Works carried out by volunteers and others connected with the parish	All including the volunteers	Method statement, risk assessment and training if necessary. No dangerous works permitted: working on roofs; with utilities; with application of heat. Equipment such as ladders kept locked up to prevent unauthorised use.	No, people are advised to work with due regard to H&S and advice given if required. PP is trained and PPC rep has H&S experience No, work authorised by PP and locked storeroom is used for gardening equipment. Ladders kept in church cellar		
		Work authorised by responsible person if not parish priest	No, work authorised by PP, PPC or designated expert volunteer		
External contractors Including gravediggers	All external contractors and others	Evidence of Public Liability insurance at £1m or £5m for dangerous works: working on roofs; with utilities; with application of heat.	No, reputable contractors are used and PLI checked.	PP/PPC/Project Manager	
		Evidence of their risk assessment and method statement including for gravediggers shoring up if left and restriction of access.	Risk statement/assessment is provided by contractors. Reputable contractors are used (gravedigging not standard practice on Church property)	PP/PPC/Project Manager	
		Use of standard contract, membership of trade/professional body, membership of H&S scheme etc checked as appropriate	No, reputable contractors are used and checked		
		Cordoning off area of works	No, carried out if required		
Gravestones, masonry, sheds, seating. finials, parapets, statues, crosses,	All, especially children	Visual check (higher level with binoculars), hand check (low level "wobble test") and specialist check if necessary particularly of the bonding	No, visual checks carried out recently by architect		
monuments		No access to unaccompanied children Cordon if necessary to avoid short term danger	Not necessary at the moment		

Boundary and other walls, especially those with	All who are nearby including those working on them	Continuous monitoring especially when working on them	No, use reputable contactor			
vegetation growth		Hand check for loose bricks & clear a small section of vegetation first if necessary	No, loose coping stones at front of Church monitored regularly			
		Check if centre of gravity of a leaning wall showing instability	No, but walls are monitored			
		Advice of structural engineer if necessary				
Trees and shrubs	All who are nearby including those working on them	Continuous monitoring especially after bad weather and especially on boundaries, including trees on neighbouring premises	Yes, some vegetation needs cutting back	Gardening team volunteers	Dec 2022	
		Check branches of trees for safety	No, monitored regularly			
		Advice of arboriculturist and lopping as necessary (Local Authority approval needed for trees with TPOs or in conservation area)	If required			

PRESBYTERIES Unless let on an external letting. So includes presbyteries occupied by a priest or by parish sisters. Remember that the regular checks also apply.

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Kitchen equipment	Priests/visitors	Fire safety equipment eg extinguishers, fire blankets	No – extinguishers are close by			

Carpets and floor coverings, stair banisters	Priests/visitors	Ensure safely fitted, no curled edges on carpets or broken banisters and repair or replace as needed.	No, visual checks are made. Old carpet in corridor replaced by laminate Oct 2019			
Smoke alarm	Priests/visitors	Installed and Tested regularly	No. New mains operated alarms now fitted. Regularly monitored	PP/Parish Assistant		
Carbon Monoxide alarm	Priests/visitors	Installed in rooms with gas appliances and checked to ensure operational regularly	No. CO detectors now used in all boiler rooms.			
Burst pipes	Priests/visitors and the building, from flooding damage, damp, falling plaster etc	Insulate tanks and lag pipes	No, new hot water boilers and visual monitoring used	PP/PPC rep	Ongoing monitoring	
Boiler	Priests/visitors	Regular servicing	No			

OTHER	ea common	activities or	r other areas	risks not	covered	above
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USE OF CARS

What are the	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to	Action by	Action by	Done
hazards?			control this risk?	who?	when?	

Accidents etc	Drivers, passengers, other road users	Take regular rest breaks Must have current licences and insurance for the work being done eg as volunteer. Cars to be regularly serviced MOT and	personal car for Church business No No		
		Adhere to Highway Code	No		

Review of last year's risk assessment for outstanding items	Yes and outstanding items transferred to this RA
Review of accident forms for new possible sources of problem areas	Yes
Have there been any "near misses"	No
Discussion with parish priest for any known difficulties	Yes
Have all relevant buildings and grounds been checked.	Yes

You should review your risk assessment if you think it might no longer be valid (eg following an accident in the workplace or if there are any significant changes to hazards, such as new equipment or activities). For information specific to the Church there is advice on the Ellis Whittam website User name: Nottingham Password: health&safety. For further information and to view example risk assessments go to http://www.hse.gov.uk/risk/casestudies/

Document retention on Risk Assessments is 5 Years from when it is superseded or no longer required.

Fire risk assessment

Parish name: St Anne's Buxton Assessment by: M Swift (K Swift/T Langer) Date of risk assessment: 06 Nov 2022

CHURCH

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Fuels (combustible	and flammable material)		1			
Combustible materials – fabrics, wood, paper etc	All users	Regular reviews of quantities of materials stored and ensure they are not stored near sources of ignition	Yes, regular checks on materials in Church storeroom	PP/PPC rep	Ongoing	
Flammable materials – solvents, paint, petrol etc		Ensure flammable materials are stored in secondary containment	No			
Waste – dustbins etc		Waste bins are emptied regularly	No			
List items of particular concern:						

Sources of Ignition

Candles	All users	Not placed near to flammable substances – eg plastic flowers or straw as well as altar linen and vestments.	No, visual checks made and placed in a clear area. Candles are used only in holders. Use of battery candles where possible			
		Ideally have area for candles on stone floor	No, candle stand modified and is on tiled floor			
Smoking	All by fire and smoking associated diseases	Smoking not permitted in all church buildings No smoking notices displayed	No Yes, need to check!	PP/Parish Assistant	Nov 2022	
Arson attack	All users	Alternative escape routes available	No			
Hot working, eg on roofs including any work involving open flames, soldering or welding, likely to cause sparks such as grinding	All users	Permission given specifically Availability of firefighting methods discussed and method statement reviewed and specialist health and safety consultant consulted if required Insurance reviewed to ensure up to date and that hot work covered under it	No, reputable external contractors only who are checked N/a			
Other sources of ignition - List items of concern:						
Fire Detection, Eme	rgency Evacuation etc	,				
Construction of building	All users	Consider how this affects fire safety and use of compartmentalisation	No			
Fire doors – (self-closing)		Marked e.g. "Fire Door – keep closed"	No, church doors have been reviewed and checked during church renovations	PPC/PP		

Emergency lighting (if fitted)	All users	Regularly tested	Yes, need to update testing	PP/PPC	Nov 2022	
Fire alarm system (if fitted)	All users	Regularly tested	No			
Automatic fire detection (Heat detectors preferred because of use of candles and incense in services)		Regularly tested	N/a			
Firefighting equipment	All users	Adequate, in correct place and serviced annually, including water (general use but not electrical), dry powder (petrol and paraffin fires), carbon dioxide (electricity) and fire blankets (kitchen) as appropriate	No, passed during annual service of extinguishers. Consider additional extinguishers at entrance. Extinguisher placed near organ	PP/PPC rep	Check during H&S advisory visit	

Emergency	All users	Emergency exits clearly marked	No			
evacuation routes		All fire exit doors unlocked during main services	No			
		Exits unobstructed internally and externally e.g. by cars	No			
		Exit routes and aisles wide enough for emergency use (750mm min).	No			
		Distance to nearest fire exit within recommendations	Yes, need to check		Check during H&S advisory visit	
		Consideration of special problems of wheelchair users	No		VISIC	
		Fire Brigade access to buildings in a busy car park	No			
		Written fire procedures displayed	Yes		Check during H&S advisory visit	
		Fire drills carried out and recorded (may be a desk top exercise)	Yes, need to discuss with PP and PPC	PP/PPC	Check during H&S advisory visit	
		Fire marshals with armbands at major services eg Christmas, Easter, large funerals	Stewards and nominated people to be trained	PP/PPC	Jan 2023	

PRESBYTERY

Automatic fire detection – smoke detectors	PP/Visitors	Regularly tested			
Firefighting equipment	PP/Visitors/cleaner	Adequate, in correct place and serviced annually, including water (general use but not electrical), dry powder (petrol and paraffin fires), carbon dioxide (electricity) and fire blankets (kitchen) as appropriate			
Electrical equipment	PP/Visitors/cleaner	Inspection for damage or frayed wires prior to use Don't overload equipment Tumble dryer – use timer/clean filter regularly	No, monitor regularly No	PP/Cleaner	
Cooking equipment	PP/visitors	Consider competence of user Electrical equipment regularly checked and monitored Fire blanket available	No. PP is competent user		
Candles	PP/Visitors	Not placed near to flammable substances Not left unattended Candles are used only in holders.	No, visual checks made and placed in a clear area.		