

## Safeguarding Leadership Training Courses

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**Safeguarding Leadership Training, SLT or VSLT when on Zoom:** For all clergy, ordinands, pioneers, those holding a Bishop's licence/ commission: including Readers, Pastoral Assistants, Evangelists, employed workers and Parish Safeguarding Coordinators/ Officers. Plus, anyone who holds a level of leadership position which significantly shapes the culture of the Church body, including churchwardens during interregnums. There is dedicated PTO Training: for those holding PTO, please see [Diocese of Leicester | Training and Events \(anglican.org\)](https://www.anglican.org/dioceses/leicester/training-and-events) for further information.

The 2023 Safeguarding Leadership Training builds on the previous leadership training, although you don't need to have completed that, and takes approximately 12 weeks to complete from booking, requiring about 8 hours in total. There is independent work to complete although only 2 small group sessions, with a maximum of 6 participants. See the next page for an overview of the course. Some areas may be new to you, but the workbook has more detailed information.

We have found that even when people are nervous about the training they have been able to complete it, with support and encouragement as needed. If you have any concerns about the training, including because of your life experiences, then please contact Louise Warner [Louise.Warner@LeicesterCofE.org](mailto:Louise.Warner@LeicesterCofE.org) or 07729628319 to work out the best way to proceed.

A dedicated course workbook is sent, usually on booking, including the course code, all dates and deadlines, Zoom link - unless face to face, the required work for each session with space for your responses, useful resources and safeguarding related information.

- **Please note to comply with National Safeguarding Team requirements you are required to provide evidence of completion of Basic Awareness and Foundation training within the last 3 years** before completing this course. Certificates from the portal can be easily downloaded, see the instructions at [Diocese of Leicester | Training and Events \(anglican.org\)](https://www.anglican.org/dioceses/leicester/training-and-events) or [Safeguarding: Training Portal: About the Site, and Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\) \(cofeportal.org\)](https://www.cofeportal.org/safeguarding-training-portal/about-the-site-and-frequently-asked-questions)

We offer a range of days/ time/ gaps between sessions. Training dates are released throughout the year. Please avoid booking anything immediately after training to allow yourself some space.

Training dates are released throughout the year, **if you need to join a course and the pre-course submission deadline is soon then please ask and if possible we will do our best to be flexible** so that you can begin your training as soon as possible.

Zoom can be used on a range of devices, including chromebooks. Please check that you are familiar with where to find controls on your device. We will use the chat function to reveal parts of the case study.

### Work Required Overview

We offer a shortened response workbook which just has space for the responses rather than the full information in the course workbook. If using it you need to copy and paste the relevant course table into it.

[VSLT Response workbook.docx - Google Docs](#)

Pre-Course Work – to be submitted before the session

1. Reflect on each of the six aspects depicted on the Culture Conversation Cube and your context/ setting. Thinking about each topic on the Culture Conversation Cube what attitudes, behaviours, and values are present within your church/ context?
2. If your church were a perfect example of a healthy culture, what would you see, hear, feel and experience as a member?
3. How could your church, its healthy culture and the way it is experienced help prevent safeguarding issues?
4. Read Appendix 1 on the Social GRRRAAAACCEEESSSS's

Pre Session 2 Work (Submitted as part of final workbook submission)

1. What has influenced and therefore supports your values and beliefs regarding safeguarding?
2. On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is 'not at all confident' and 10 is 'extremely confident', how confident are you in recognising and managing risk? What supports your score?
3. What safeguarding risks exist in your own context – what are you/ others worried about?
4. Read the case study background information and Scene 1, then reflect on the questions.

After Session 2 (Submitted as part of final workbook submission)

As a final exercise at the **end of session two**, think about the training and please note:

- A. Three things you will take away from this training.
- B. Three main changes or issues that you would like to raise within your context/ ministry because of this training.
- C. A key piece of personal learning which you would like to complete – this could include doing some further reading to broaden or deepen their understanding.

Course Follow Up (Submitted as part of final workbook submission)

1. What difference have you noticed in your approach to safeguarding?
2. What opportunity do you have, or could you use, to create a healthy church community?

3. What would it look like for you to demonstrate behaviours that give equal value to everyone?
4. Create an action plan with 3 or 4 actions

## Dates

**Book a place by completing the booking form,** [Booking form for Safeguarding Leadership Training \(2026\) - Fill out form](#), including the course reference code. Click on the link and then on the box that comes up to open up the form.

If you have not received a response within 5 working days, please check your junk email and email [SGB bookings@LeicesterCofE.org](mailto:SGB bookings@LeicesterCofE.org) to check your information was received.

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Where possible we will try to be flexible on the pre-course work submission dates, Louise needs time to read them before the session. Please indicate that on the booking form under any other information.

## 2026 Courses

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Course Code	VSLT6090226 (FULL)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 7pm
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 7pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	30 <sup>th</sup> March - 20 <sup>th</sup> April Extended due to Easter
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026
Estimated certificate issue	26 May - 22 <sup>nd</sup> June
Expiry Date	22/2/29

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Course Code	SLTF2F1120226 (In progress)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February
Session 1 St Martins House Leicester Including watching Let There Be Light documentary	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 10am - 12.30pm
Session 2 St Martins House Leicester Including watching Let There Be Light documentary	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 10am - 12.30pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 23 <sup>rd</sup> April Extended due to Easter
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	26 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Estimated certificate issue	21 <sup>st</sup> May - 18 <sup>th</sup> June -
Expiry Date	25/2/29

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Course Code	VSLT7240226 (FULL)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 1pm
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 1pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	21 <sup>st</sup> April - 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	17 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Estimated certificate issue	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> June
Expiry Date	17/3/29

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Course Code. Please note this course may involve piloting new course materials which would only be available 2 weeks before the first session.	VSLT8270226 (FULL)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb 10am
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 10am
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	17 <sup>th</sup> April - 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Estimated certificate issue	5 <sup>th</sup> June - 3 <sup>rd</sup> July
Expiry Date	12/3/29

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Course Code Please note this course will involve piloting new course materials, workbook now available.	VSLT9040326 (FULL)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 10am
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 10am
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	22 <sup>nd</sup> April - 6 <sup>th</sup> May

Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Estimated certificate issue	10 <sup>th</sup> June - 8 <sup>th</sup> July
Expiry Date	17/3/29

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Course Code. Please note this course may involve piloting new course materials, workbook now available.	VSLT10050326 (FULL)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 7pm
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 7pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	30 <sup>th</sup> April - 14 <sup>th</sup> May
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Estimated certificate issue	11 <sup>th</sup> June - 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Expiry Date	25/3/29

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Course Code	VSLT11170426 (6 spaces)
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 10am
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 10am
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	12-26 <sup>th</sup> June
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	8 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Estimated certificate issue	24 <sup>th</sup> July - 21 <sup>st</sup> August



Expiry Date	7/5/29
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Course Code	VSLT12280426
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 1pm
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 1pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> June
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	28 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
Estimated certificate issue	14 <sup>th</sup> July - 11 <sup>th</sup> August
Expiry Date	27/4/29

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Course Code	VSLT13220426
Pre-course workbook submission deadline You cannot join the course without this being submitted	Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> April
Zoom 1 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 7pm
Zoom 2 (Approximately 105 minutes)	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 7pm
Final workbook Submission, this is a requirement of completing the course and it will not be valid without it being signed off.	10 <sup>th</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup> June
Certificate Date - date of Zoom 2	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Estimated certificate issue	22 <sup>nd</sup> July - 19 <sup>th</sup> August
Expiry Date	5/5/29

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More dates to be arranged, please check back.