



Diocese of Arundel & Brighton

Health & Safety statement of intent

This is the health and safety policy of The Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton which includes parishes, chaplaincies, Arundel Cathedral, St. Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre, The Christian Education Centre, Curial Offices, Bishop's Residence, independent schools and other Diocesan buildings.

- The Diocese recognises that effective and efficient management of health, safety and welfare is a management responsibility on an equal footing with other management spheres of operation.
- The Diocese recognises that it must comply with its common law and statutory obligations in relation to the health, safety and welfare of all those who work for it whether as employees, volunteers or contractors.
- The Diocese encourages a high standard of health, safety and welfare for the sake of the common good and the coming of the Kingdom of God.
- The Diocese aims to provide adequate control of the health and safety risks arising from its work activities.
- The Diocese will consult with its clergy, employees and volunteers on matters affecting their health and safety.
- The Diocese will provide information, instruction and supervision for its clergy, employees and volunteers.
- The Diocese will ensure that clergy, employees and volunteers are competent to undertake the tasks expected of them, and provide training where necessary.
- The Diocese will ensure that all hazardous substances are handled and used safely.
- The Diocese is committed to providing and maintaining safe plant and equipment.
- The Diocese will maintain a healthy and safe environment for all those who use their facilities.
- The Diocese is committed to doing all that is reasonable to prevent accidents and work related ill health.
- All those who undertake work for the Diocese, whether they are clergy, employees, volunteers or contractors, are expected to act responsibly, to prevent injury to themselves and others, and to co-operate with management in all matters relating to health and safety.
- The Diocese is committed to monitoring health and safety continuously and to reviewing this policy in the light of any changes

Signature:

Rev. Mgr. Canon John Hull. Vicar General

For and on behalf of the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton

Date: October 2008

This date will be the annual review date of our health and safety policy.