

# Wakefield Cathedral SCIE Audit Report

**17 June 2020**

In line with the Church of England's commitment to ensuring the highest standards in its safeguarding procedures, the Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) is currently undertaking a safeguarding audit of every Church of England cathedral. Wakefield Cathedral's audit was undertaken over three days at the end of January 2020. You can read the final report [here](#). The Covid-19 lockdown which began in late March has meant a delay in the cathedral's Action Plan in response to the auditors' considerations. Work has begun on the Action Plan and continues to be reviewed throughout the year.

Meanwhile, I am grateful to the auditors for their care and consideration during the audit process, to Canon Leah Vasey-Saunders, the Chapter Safeguarding Lead, for her work in co-ordinating the audit, and to the many members of the cathedral staff and wider community for their willingness to engage with the auditors in one-to-one interviews and meetings.

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