

## Lancashire Association of Change Ringers

## **Child Protection Policy**

The Lancashire Association of Change Ringers (LACR) is committed to the protection of young ringers and fully supports the principles of the House of Bishops' Child Protection Policy.

The LACR fully supports the Child Protection guidelines issued in March 2004 by the CCCBR, which cover the appointment of those with responsibility for tower management and training, and sensible procedures for day-to-day management of the tower in respect of protection and development of young people. These guidelines are consistent with the principles espoused by the House of Bishops' policy.

The LACR advises all Tower Captains to discuss the issue with their incumbent and PCC and agree appropriate local procedures. In general, the LACR recommends and encourages adoption of the CCCBR guidelines by dioceses, parishes and bell ringing bands as a practical measure to protect young ringers and maintain the open, welcoming and friendly environment that has characterised church bell ringing for many years.

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