



## ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS – POLICY ON LIVESTREAMING, SAFEGUARDING AND DATA PROTECTION

The PCC of St Michael and All Angels adopts the following principles and conditions:

### **General Principles**

Cameras to be placed so that they don't show more people than is necessary.

Only people who have given their consent to appear on screen should be shown.

It should be made clear to everyone at the event (by notices or announcements) that the service is being live-streamed or recorded.

### **Safeguarding**

Generally, cameras should only show those who are participating in the leading of the service.

If shots of the congregation are included, families with children or young people should be provided with the option to sit in an area which is not visible in the recording or streaming of a service or event. It should be borne in mind that there may also be adult members of the congregation who for a variety of reasons wish to attend in full privacy. They may, for example, not wish their whereabouts to become known to a former partner with whom they suffered domestic abuse. People in these types of circumstances should also be afforded the option to sit in an area not covered by any cameras or recording equipment.

Anyone coming forward to receive communion or other sacraments should normally be out of shot, both for safeguarding and privacy reasons, but also due to the particular solemnity of this part of a service.

### **GDPR**

Filming or recording to enable participation in an act of worship is covered by existing GDPR consent forms or the legitimate interest base for processing personal data. Otherwise specific consent is needed to film the congregation attending the service (either live-streaming or recorded) as opposed to the celebrant and readers etc delivering the service.

A notice will be displayed at the entrance to the church informing that the service is to be live-streamed or recorded. Churchwardens and welcomers to point out seating areas not visible to the cameras for any who are uncomfortable with being filmed. It will be presumed that consent has been given if individuals attend the service after seeing the notice.

Information also to be put on our website and regular reminders in E-notices.

Those leading the service to announce that the service is being live-streamed/ filmed before the start of the service.

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