# PCC/Churchwarden DBS and training

## Enhanced or basic DBS?

A PCC member is only eligible for an enhanced adult and/or child workforce check (without barring lists check) if the church runs activities aimed specifically at children and/or vulnerable adults in the church’s name.

This is because the PCC is classed as a children's/vulnerable adult charity and the PCC members are trustees.

A PCC member is eligible for a basic DBS check if the church does not run activities aimed specifically at children or vulnerable adults in the church’s name.

## Training

PCC members must undertake the basic and foundation safeguarding training through the online C of E portal.

## Churchwardens

Churchwardens are ex officio members of the PCC and so, if the PCC qualifies as a children’s/vulnerable adult charity, the churchwarden will be eligible for the same level of check (enhanced without barring information).

Churchwardens must undertake the basic and Foundation online safeguarding training via the C of E online portal. We Strongly recommend that Churchwardens undertake Leadership training which can be booked via the Diocesan Events calendar: [Events & training - Bath and Wells Diocese](https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/calendar/)

