INEQE Survey - notice to read out in church

The Independent Safeguarding organisation INEQE will be auditing safeguarding across the Diocese of Chelmsford in February. It is part of a Church of England wide series of audits and the recommendations will help ensure dioceses and cathedrals are doing everything they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.

Ahead of the audit they are asking people in churches to take part in a short survey **by 8 December.**

They want to hear from people right across our church communities, irrespective of how involved you are, or how often you come to church.

The survey is anonymous and confidential and the results go straight to INEQE. You will not be asked for your name. It is also very straightforward to complete and is mostly about your own experiences of church. It's really important that they hear from as many people as possible, so please do take a short time to complete it.

There are different versions of the survey for different groups of people. For example there is a parish workforce survey for those who hold a role or volunteer and there is a parish community version for people who attend church for worship or other activities. There are also versions for children and young people and for victims and survivors. If more than one version of the survey applies to you, you are welcome to fill out as many versions as apply. It's all explained on the INEQE website when you fill it out.

You can complete the survey by: *(whichever of the following apply in your church)*

- Visiting the web address or using the QR code on the screen (which will also be there after the service)
- Using the QR code or web address on the flyer in your pews/ on page x of the newsletter
- Visiting the web address on the poster at the back of church (or other location)
- Speaking with XXXXXX after the service who has a laptop/ ipad with them and will help you to complete the survey today.

It is very simple to do, and taking part can really help to inform and improve safeguarding in our diocese.

Resources to help you promote the survey in your church
A graphic for screens, a printable flyer and other resources to help you promote the survey in your church can be downloaded from the diocesan website here.