

Cathedral Dashboards Annual Fee



Why will a separate Annual Fee be charged?

Each diocese already pays an Annual Fee that covers **Parish Dashboards**.

An extra Annual Fee is needed for a **Cathedral Dashboards** because it is a separate system that requires additional ongoing work, as shown in the table below.

Ongoing work	Parish Dashboards	Cathedral Dashboards
Hosting the dashboards and providing regular security updates	✓	✓
Keeping dashboards up to date with the latest safeguarding requirements, guidance and resources	✓	✓
Taking daily backups of all dashboard data	✓	✓
Providing technical support for parish users	✓	✗
Providing technical support for cathedral users	✗	✓
Providing technical support for diocesan users	✓	✗
2026 Annual Fee *	£2,472 per diocese <i>(for comparison)</i>	£396 per cathedral <i>(new system)</i>

+ VAT

** Annual Fees in subsequent years will be linked to the Consumer Price Index, plus a modest increase to cover new developments if required.*

Who will pay the Annual Fee in 2026?

Guildford Cathedral has been awarded a grant from the *National Safeguarding Team Innovation and Impact Fund*. Part of this grant covers the Annual Fee for every cathedral in 2026, and therefore cathedrals pay nothing.

Who will pay the Annual Fee from 2027 onwards?

From 2027 onwards, the Annual Fee will be paid by each cathedral. Alternatively, if a diocese agrees to pay half the cost, then a cathedral will pay about £200 + VAT.

There will be no charge if a cathedral chooses not to use their dashboard from 2027 onwards.