



St Andrews Starbeck

"building for the future"

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Welcome to the bi-monthly newsletter by which we do hope can keep the whole church informed as to the progress that is being made.

- ❖ **Planning permission has now been granted by Harrogate Borough Council**
- ❖ All the paperwork has been prepared for a Faculty (which gives us permission go ahead with the building plans). We have already been granted a "Certificate of Recommendation" by the Diocese so we are hopeful that the faculty should be a formality.
- ❖ Make a note to come to one of the services on **Sunday 25 September**. We will be making a presentation to the church and there will be graphics, information and timelines put across.

Finance

- ❖ The building fund (pledges, cash and standing order payments) is now worth more than £104,600. We have still a long way to go (to reach £680,000) but this is a huge achievement considering not a brick has been laid or a wall demolished.
- ❖ Now that the necessary permissions have been granted we are in a position to start applying for grants from various charities. *If you know of any possible community grants that we might be able to apply for, please speak to a member of the Building Committee (see below).*
- ❖ The next gift day will be in March 2012 (last one was March 2010) where people can have the opportunity to reconsider their contribution or people new to our family congregation can have the opportunity to contribute. If you have already given we are not asking for more from you; you have been generous enough already.
- ❖ For up to date information see www.andysonline.org/pav/buildingproject/documents/building-fund-summary.pdf

Fund-raising

- ❖ **Francis and Elaine are cycling from Land's End to John O'Groats.** Sponsorship money for Francis will go to the building fund. Make sure you get all your friends to sponsor Francis by visiting www.teamFrancis.co.uk

Additionally, we are starting to plan a year of fundraising activities. Some will be fun, some labour intensive and some very successful. We need your help to add to these ideas listed below. If you have any more ideas please submit them into the blue box by the building project stand at the back of church. They can be submitted anonymously if you like so we do not volunteer you to do it (but it helps if you do).

- ❖ Car wash
- ❖ Cake sales
- ❖ Christmas Card Sales
- ❖ Barn dance (with raffles/Auction)
- ❖ Music Extravaganza
- ❖ Sponsored Bike Ride
- ❖ Currython in Church
- ❖ Sell items on E bay
- ❖ Scrap Metal collection

PCC decisions

The last PCC decision made in July was to authorise payment of £11,500 + VAT for the plans to drawn up to technical specifications suitable for contractors to quote from. The next PCC decision will be in November when we decide how much of the project to put forward for Building regulations approval; it may be done in phases to reduce the initial cost and allow the building to get started. For up to date information see www.andysonline.org/pav/buildingproject/documents/building-project-timeline.pdf

Remember all comments are very welcome and if you have any concerns you want to chat over or opinions that you would like us to take notice of the members of the Building Committee are Mike Langford, Peter Miles, Maurice Pinder, Nick Wheeler, Malcolm Price, Alex Mellor, Mark Cudworth and Richard Darley. We meet once every month in order to review and plan ahead.

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