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St Andrews Starbeck

"building for the future"

Welcome to the bi-monthly newsletter. Do take time to read it so you can keep abreast of how the plans are progressing. Past copies, plans and lots more are on the website: www.peter.andysonline.org/buildingproject/

Building Plans

On the 16 November we had a meeting in the church with all the agencies involved - and there are a lot of them. (the Victorian Society, English Heritage, Church Building Council, DAC (The Church of England) The Architect and St Andrews representatives. The main points raised at the meeting were.

- All agencies approved of the idea to create increased Narthex space and an extension to the side of The Church with additional toilet and catering facilities.
- Some agencies did not like the idea of a window being put below the West Window
- There was an objection to the extension having a raked roof rather than a horizontal one
- Will each area of the church be secure from the other areas?
- The doors made out of the window areas on the North Wall should not be lowered from the original height. Nor should alteration be made to the doorway in The South Porch (present main entrance)

December

- meetings of English Heritage and Church Building Council to decide on recommendations
- 6 December is last date for objections to planning proposals to Harrogate District Council

January

- meeting of DAC (Church of England) to decide on their recommendations and review recommendations from other agencies
- 23 Jan PCC meeting to review Architect's proposals in light of all these recommendations

Heating the new building

We have also been considering heating in the new extension and enlarged Narthex. We need to have the ability to switch on and off various areas of the church building, and use efficient heating systems that might achieve up to 40% savings on our electricity and gas bills, and we need to integrate as much as possible of the existing system so we do not duplicate anything. At the same time the main church boiler, which has been on its last legs for a number of years is really, really on its last legs and needs replacing. Some costs were already built into the heating budget for the new buildings, so now the PCC has decided to replace the main church boiler with one which will also be able to heat the new extension and Narthex as well as using less energy. We are fortunate that we are able to start on this part of the project due to the generosity of those who have already given money to the building project.

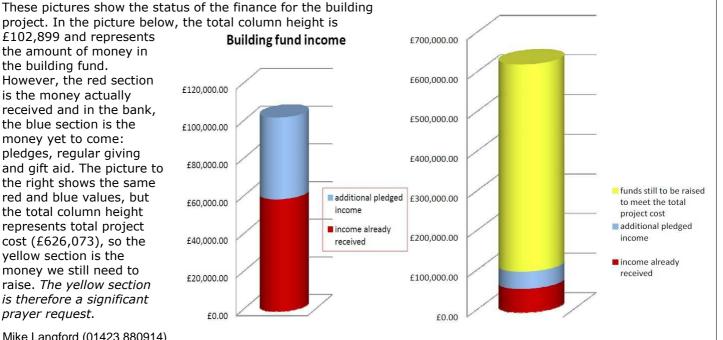
Fundraising

Caroline Walker has joined our team. She has had considerable experience in raising funds and will be suggesting some of those that have worked. However the best ideas come from people who are passionate about what they are doing so if you have any good ideas or want to be part of a big project do talk to Caroline or anyone else on the building committee. We had a great jazz evening at the Church, superbly advertised, organised and executed. Many thanks to the Leachs, the Cudworths and everyone who helped on the night.

Building project finance

£102,899 and represents the amount of money in the building fund. However, the red section is the money actually received and in the bank, the blue section is the money yet to come: pledges, regular giving and gift aid. The picture to the right shows the same red and blue values, but the total column height represents total project cost (£626,073), so the yellow section is the money we still need to raise. The yellow section is therefore a significant prayer request.

Building Project Finances



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