



starbeck welcome

Building For The future

Welcome to the October edition of the building project bulletin. Exciting and challenging times lie ahead but it is a challenge and an opportunity that has presented itself and we are responding to it. It is worth remembering that the *Starbeck Welcome Project exists to enable us to improve our ability to welcome all-comers into the premises and provide significantly better facilities and hospitality. In 2006 the leadership of St Andrew's began looking at ways the building could be improved for the benefit of both the regular worshipping community and the wider community in Starbeck. A major consideration was for the building to be easily accessible to all people regardless of any disability; to provide for the comfort and needs of all visitors and to create a warm, hospitable and welcoming meeting space, including a large and flexible worship area. Architects were commissioned, the church family consulted and plans prepared.*

Income from sponsored cycle ride

Francis and Elaine achieved a wonderful result in cycling the incredible distance from Land's End to John O'Groats through all weathers. We have processed 181 donations from sponsors *in addition to* the 62 online donations (MyDonate website) *in addition to* the hundreds from Starbeck School who held their sponsored "Wacky Races". This fantastic effort has so far raised over £7000 for the building fund.

Building fund

The building fund value has been changing rapidly. At mid October the fund value is £112,219, but you need to look at our website posting to keep up with the changes. The estimated total building project cost is £694,783, so we have a long way to go, but see below.

And that's where we are now. All the permissions have been gained from Harrogate Borough Council and The Church of England, so this is an outline of what will be happening over the next few months:

Currently:

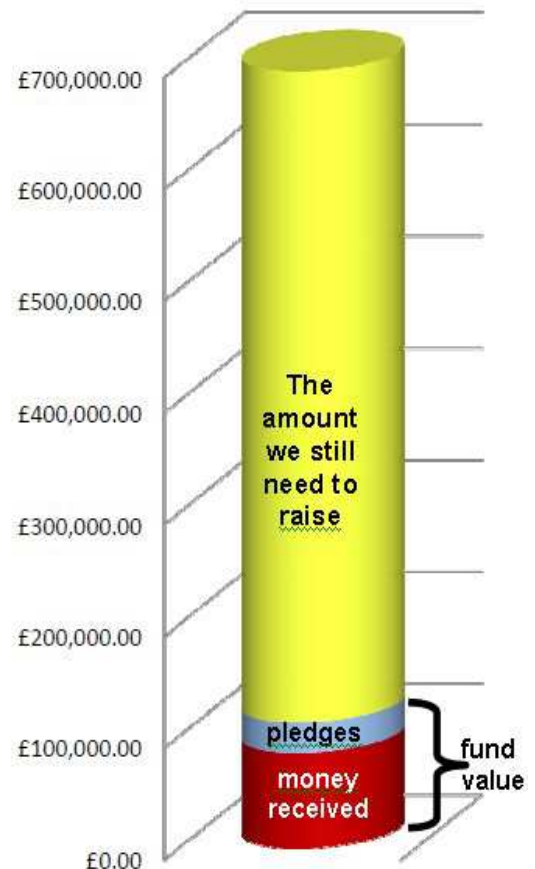
- ❖ Surveys by Electrical, Mechanical and Construction Engineers to see what ground and foundation conditions are like. Examining pipes, electrical systems and heating layouts. Their findings will be presented to the Quantity Surveyor who will come up with a final budget costing for the extension and the Narthex improvements.
- ❖ Identifying charities and grant bodies who might provide funds for the project, and completing application forms.
- ❖ Prayer in Lady Chapel every Thursday from 6.30pm to 7.30pm for the project

Planned for the autumn:

- ❖ 15 November: Presentation of survey findings and costings to the Building Working Group for examination and proposals to the PCC.
- ❖ 21 November: PCC meeting to examine costs, detailed plans for where the funds will probably come from (eg identify funding sources, assets held by the Church and time lines). The PCC will decide whether to attempt the extension only or the extension and the Narthex and the final building date.
- ❖ 03 December: Sale of used DVD's in Church and "Singalong" to Children's movie (more details later)
- ❖ 03 December Introduction of Boards in Church identifying the project, the reasoning behind it, the target amount to be raised and funding opportunities. Building project team around to answer questions.

Next year:

- March 2012 Gift Day
- April 2012 Final Project to be put out to Tender
- July 2012 Examination of Tender documents and appointment of builder
- September 2012 Construction begins!
- January 2012 – December 2013 Fun(d) Raising Projects (STOP PRESS 28 JAN CABARET NIGHT)



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