

Church Buildings Team Bulletin August 2023



Welcome

A very warm welcome to the August edition of the Church Buildings Team Bulletin.

If the Pandemic showed us anything, it demonstrated that training can be delivered right to you in your armchair rather than having to travel to Lincoln – or Boston or Grimsby. The Bulletin this time majors on training opportunities including those offered by Ecclesiastical Insurance as a part of its contribution to Churchwardens Visitations and by the Church of England's Environmental Programme. We look forward to Heritage Open Days and Lincolnshire Churches Trust's Ride and Stride in September, asking if you are making your visitors welcome and offer suggestions as to how your welcome could be improved. We also highlight changes for the National Lottery Heritage Fund and its strategy for the next 10 years as well as changes to the Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme (VAT claim back).

One of the things that we might overlook in our buildings – or at least look straight through – is the windows. Their shape and style can be invaluable in dating our buildings. Take a look at our Spotters Guide which will be helpful to anyone who likes to look at historic buildings or is thinking of updating or writing a guidebook. Can you recognise the type of window that is in your church building?

As ever, we really appreciate your feedback – let us know if there is anything that you would particularly like to see covered in future editions of the Bulletin.



Lincolnshire Wolds and Coast Churches Festival

With over 140 churches and chapels open across two weekends, this festival presents another opportunity to celebrate the wonderful heritage of the churches and chapels in the East Lindsey area.

Churches in the Louthesk and Calcewaithe and Candleshoe deaneries will open for the weekend of 2nd and 3rd September and those in the Horncastle and Bolingbroke deaneries will be open for the weekend of 9th and 10th September.

The brochure can be downloaded here:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EPPTCGIfWkKdwKhJ6JNKuEo-7SOP9yvl/view>

Churchwarden Online Training with Ecclesiastical

The Archdeacons Team has organised a series of online training events for Churchwardens throughout September and October with Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical. The full programme, including the Zoom links, can be found on the next page. Topics include Open Churches to welcome people in - An insurers perspective, Church Security and Theft of Metal and Introduction to Fundraising, all items your Church Buildings Team would be happy to follow up with you as required.

Don't forget there is the suite of [resources](#) available to you, including help with project management, church buildings interpretation, maintenance, faculties and more from the [Volunteers' Project and Resource Toolkit](#).

Remember too that the rest of the Parish Support team are here to support you and other parts of the team also send out information. See [here](#) for the latest College of St Hugh [Training and Resources Bulletin](#) and [here](#) for the [Generous Living](#) newsletter.



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Churchwarden's Online Training 2023

Ecclesiastical Showcase – Friday, 15th September 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before start of session\)](#)

Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead this introductory session. It will provide an overview of the specialist support, templates and guidance available from them and signpost you to their risk management, health & safety and fundraising resources. The session is delivered in easy to understand language with resources designed in various formats to help make the delivery of your mission and ministry at your church a little bit easier

Health & Safety – Thursday, 21st September 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before start of session\)](#)

Using easy to understand language, Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead the session, explaining why managing health and safety effectively is important, provide an overview of health & legislation relevant to churches and offer a step by step guide along with the tools to enable churches to feel more confident in managing their health and safety responsibilities.

Open Churches to welcome people in – An insurers perspective – Thursday, 28th September at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before start of session\)](#)

Are you wanting to open your church building more to the community, occasional visitor or tourist but worried about the safety and security implications of this or how to manage it? Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead this session and take you through the steps and measures you can undertake to protect the building and its contents. Busting the myths about keeping the building open to welcome people in.

Fire Risk Management – Friday, 6th October 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before start of session\)](#)

All churches need to complete a suitable and sufficient fire risk assessment to comply with legislation. Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead this session to help you understand your responsibilities under the legislation and take you through the specialist resources they have to enable you to meet these obligations

Introduction to Insurance – Monday, 9th October 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before start of session\)](#)

Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead this session to help you understand your Ecclesiastical church insurance policy. It will provide an overview in easy to understand language, address common questions and go through the many resources available to help you administer your policy.

Introduction to Fundraising – Tuesday, 17th October 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before session\)](#)

Do you have a church project in mind but don't know where to start with fundraising? Ecclesiastical have developed a Church Fundraising Hub to help churches with this. Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will lead the session and take you through their easy to follow resources to help you build a successful campaign

Church Security & Theft of Metal – Tuesday, 24th October 2023 at 5pm

[Click here to join \(Active 10 minutes before session\)](#)

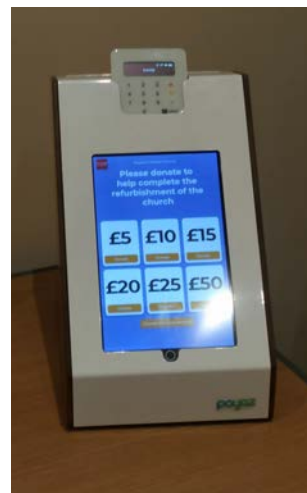
Church security and theft of metal continues to be a challenge for churches but this session with Heather Ford, Church Support Manager with Ecclesiastical will provide you with hints and tips to mitigate against the risk and she will take you through the resources they have available to help you with this.

Are you making your visitors welcome?

By the time you read this, it will be close to the late Summer Bank Holiday and the school term will be about to begin. Phew, some of you may think, time to get back to normal life. However, visitors can show up anytime, not just through peak summer season. Have you made sure that you are making the most of what you have to offer?

We are told in Hebrews 13:2, "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (NRSV) Would a visitor or someone new to the area know what time services were held? In conversation with an RAF Chaplain recently, who had been posted to a new area (not in Lincolnshire...), she said that there was no way of finding out when the service times were at the nearest church, either physically or online. Here she was, able to help out, to cover holiday times and other tasks, but her gift was not able to be used, because she could not access the information she needed.

Thinking further in terms of gifts, how easy are you making it for people to leave a one off donation? Ideally, have a contactless card reader, but if your church is not open all of the time, consider the use of a QR code. This can be pinned up in the porch or on the noticeboard, be included on pew sheets and any other promotional material. For further information, refer to the June edition of the [Living Generously Newsletter](#) from the Generous Living Team and this [information](#) on the national church website.



As you work more closely with your Local Mission Partnership, arrange for others to come and visit your church buildings and view it with the fresh eyes of a critical friend. Would your kerb appeal invite people in or are they likely to walk on by? Remember that first impressions count.



Are visitors able to get into the church? Are the opening times clear and is there an intentional welcome for visitors?

Interpretation of the church does not have to be complicated. An A4 sheet of paper, folded in three, with ten things to see, clearly laid out is better than a lengthy, much photocopied, tome!

Can you offer refreshments, even if you are not physically there? Some churches leave fresh water each day, if they do not have running water, a kettle, tea, coffee, squash and wrapped biscuits. Think about putting a dog bowl at the porch entrance too.



How do you make sure any visitors feel welcome? Please share examples and photographs with us so we can pass this on to others across the diocese.



Focus On - The DAC

Professor David Stocker, Appointee of the Joint Cttee. of National Amenity Societies for the DAC, writes:

One bleak day in early January 1981, I set out on my 50cc Honda moped, with its leaky orange petrol tank, to negotiate back-roads from York to Lincoln (but past plenty of petrol-stations). I had been involved in the 'Rescue' heritage movement in York, as volunteer, post-graduate student and, finally, as York Archaeological Trust officer, and now I was taking-up a 6-month contract in Lincoln to research and publish excavated architectural and funerary masonry from the city ... I have simply never left! My niche specialism in 'old stones' had emerged during my time in York, but St Catherine's, Lincoln, became my home for the next eleven years and working in Lincolnshire for the first six of those years, my time was largely devoted to recording historic buildings in association with various conservation projects, sometimes at the Cathedral and Castle, but also at many churches.



In 1984, my friend and writing-partner Paul Everson and I began research for the Lincolnshire volume of the British Academy's project aiming to record every item of early stone sculpture in England. That meant visiting every (medieval) parish church in the diocese. Two years later, I joined the (recently-established) English Heritage, though I continued living in St Catherine's until 1991. First involved in building-conservation projects across the North of England, including many churches, I then took charge of the designation of heritage-conservation projects in the Midlands. In that role, I returned to Lincoln, working alongside City and County Council officers on a series of developmental projects. That work kept me in touch with the county, whilst sitting alongside my academic research (almost 200 papers, 20 books, and still counting!) and my responsibility for various national policy areas. I enjoyed myself enormously at English Heritage, though a car-crash in 1996 curtailed my ability to participate in fieldwork.

Returning to live in Lincolnshire (at Thorpe-on-the-Hill) in 2007, I retired in 2012, but was immediately encouraged to put myself forward for the East Midlands Committee of the – then – Heritage Lottery Fund (now The National Lottery Heritage Fund, NLHF, or just 'The Fund'). So, between 2013 and 2018 I had the privilege of visiting hundreds of Lottery-funded projects, including many churches. In 2018, I was appointed by the – then – Prime Minister as a Trustee of The Fund. Service in that role has been an even greater privilege, especially as – in 2020 – the Government asked us to distribute money from the Cultural Recovery Fund, the Cultural Assets Fund and the Green Recovery Fund (amongst others), all aimed at helping the owners of heritage sites (including many churches) survive the ravages of Covid.

My six-year term as a Trustee of The Fund is drawing to an end, but I have seen ordinary people devote so much passion to 'their' heritage – especially their churches – that I'm confident we are passing it on in better condition than it has ever been. People's commitment is truly humbling! My term on the National Trust Council also ends soon, and I'm looking forward to spending more time in my library completing research projects. But as CFCE appointee to Lincoln Cathedral's Fabric Advisory Committee, member of the Court of the University of Lincoln, President of the Lincoln Record Society, and Trustee of Heritage Lincolnshire, I won't become a recluse. And, naturally, I will continue to offer my experience of church conservation and funding to the DAC.

Of Interest

A Spotters Guide to Windows

An understanding of the history of church windows can help you date your parish church. However, care needs to be taken. Sometimes an earlier window can be re-sited in a later wall, or a later window inserted when there has been major re-ordering of a church. There can be several different ages of window in one church. Remember too that the influence of different periods in history is not always precise when it comes to the building of windows, with styles slowly spreading across the country. This brief spotters guide will give you a starting point and we have plenty of fantastic examples from across the centuries in this diocese.

Anglo-Saxon (c.600 - 1150)

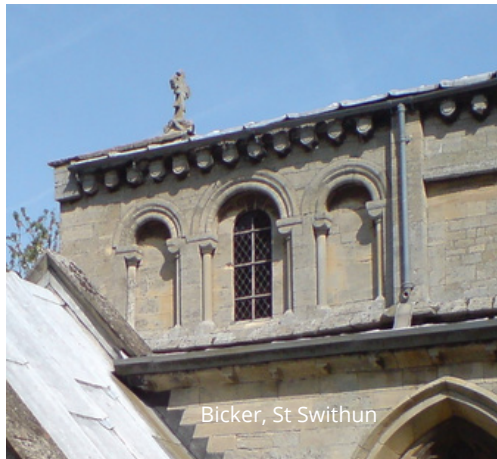
Windows tend to have a semi-circular top or sometimes a triangular one. They are constructed with stones that go through the full width of the wall unlike later periods. Barton on Humber, St Peter (right) shows late Saxon (c. 1050 -1100) double belfry windows on the top stage of the tower.



Barton on Humber, St Peter

Norman (c.1050 - 1200), also known as Romanesque

This is the age of broad semi-circular arches. Windows are still quite narrow, due to the cost of glass and are usually built in thicker walls than Anglo-Saxon ones. Bicker, St Swithun clerestory window (right) of the early 1100s. Sempringham, St Gilbert (far right) illustrates a typical late Norman style window of c. 1170s.



Bicker, St Swithun



Sempringham, St Gilbert

Gothic Period

This is usually split into three phases:

Early English (c.1180 - 1270s), also called Lancet or First Pointed

The use of a sharply pointed arch allowed for larger windows, as it is stronger. The windows of this style are typified by single lancet windows (see Kirkstead, St Leonard right c.1230s) or lancet windows arranged in a group of two or three. More elaboration begins with plate tracery, where a pair or triple lancets are placed within a larger arched opening and the space above the lancets is filled with a simple circle or quatrefoil carved through the solid stone at the top of the window head. See Stow Minster, St Mary (below right).



Kirkstead, St Leonard

Decorated (c.1250 - 1380), also known as Curvilinear, Geometric, Flamboyant or Middle Pointed

Plate tracery eventually gives way to bar tracery in the 1250s, where the mullions (upright sections) are extended up into the top of the window creating shapes and patterns. Its earliest form usually includes circles at the top, as can be seen with Barton, St Mary (next page) c. 1275.



Stow Minster, St Mary

The tracery then changes from geometric shapes to become far more ambitious with sinuous shapes defined by curving lines as the style progresses in the early 1300s. As the names would suggest it becomes more decorated and flamboyant! Many shapes are included in the top of the windows.



Above: Bartont, St Mary geometric tracery c.1275



Above centre: Great Hale, St John the Baptist south aisle 'Y' tracery c. 1300



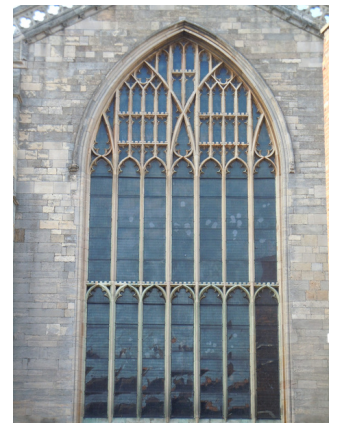
Above: Heckington, St Andrew curvilinear tracery c. 1320-30



Left: Alford, St Wilfred reticulated tracery early 1300s.

Perpendicular (1375 - 1530+), also known as Rectilinear or Third Pointed

This is where windows became taller and larger with several lights grouped together, often with horizontal transoms for added strength. The top of the window is sometimes a flatter arch than previous periods. (From left to right: Tattershall, Holy Trinity c. 1470-1480s; Sedgebrook, St Lawrence c. 1470s; Louth, St James c. 1430s).



Tudor (1485 - 1603)

This was a tumultuous time and very few churches were built, though most were reordered to accord with the changes in religious tolerance.

Stuart (1603 - 1714)

Not many churches were built in this time either although some Queen Anne (1702 - 1714) style churches remain including Stainfield, St Andrew (1711), where the windows are clear glazed with rounded tops.



Georgian (1714 - 1837)

Church windows are characterised by their regularity and classical proportions both in themselves and how they are spaced in the walls. Windows are often tall and clear glazed.



Left: Cherry Willingham, St Peter and St Paul (1753).
Middle:

Gainsborough, All Saints (1736-44).
Right: Saxby, St Helen (1775)

Victorian (1837 - 1901)

Many churches were restored by the Victorians, so they can be difficult to date. A Gothic revival took place, so windows that may at first glance look like they are from the 12th to 15th century are in fact Victorian. If the stonework is still relatively crisp and if there are fewer pieces of stone, they are likely to be Victorian not Medieval.

Left: Binbrook, St Mary and St Gabriel (rebuilt 1869)



Middle: Ruckland, St Olave (1885)

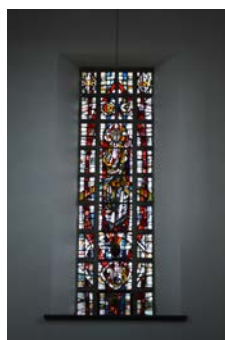
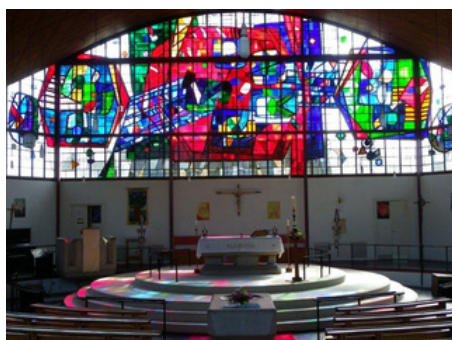


Right: Saltfleetby, St Peter (1877)



20th Century

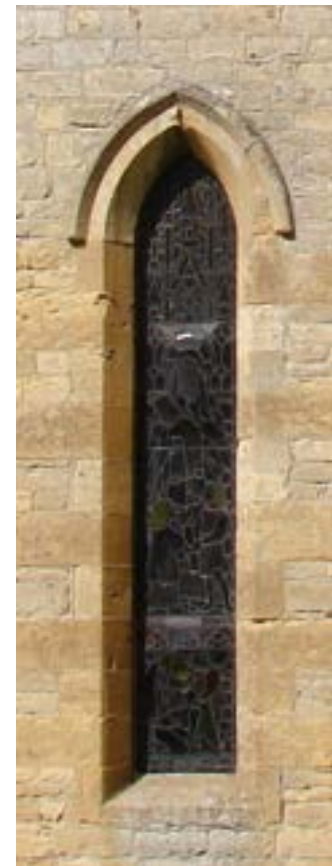
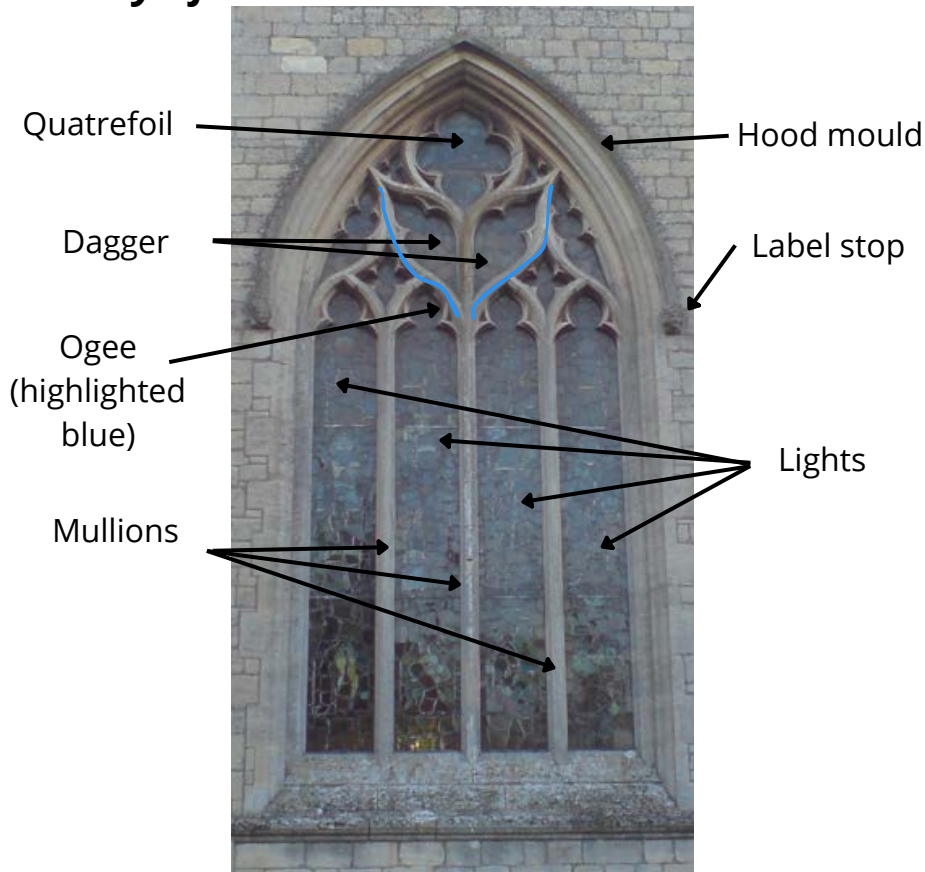
Window frame materials change throughout this time, especially post war when materials were scarce. Window frames became thinner and the use of aluminium and other metals came into use. (Left to right: Lincoln, St John the Baptist (1963), Southrey, St John the Divine (1898), Grimsby, St Martin (1938), Waddington, St. Michael (1952-54).



Over to you

You now have the tools to go window spotting! To help you, the next page has an illustrated glossary of terms. If you are not sure what age a window is, if the building is listed, it is sometimes described in the list description or a major restoration date is given, which may mean that the windows are of a later date than they might first appear. (<https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list>). If you are still not sure, feel free to ask the team.

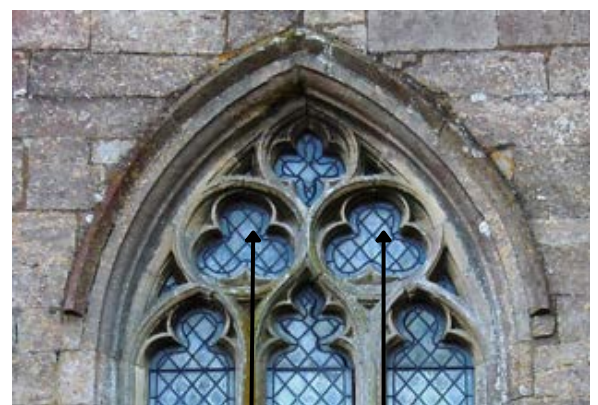
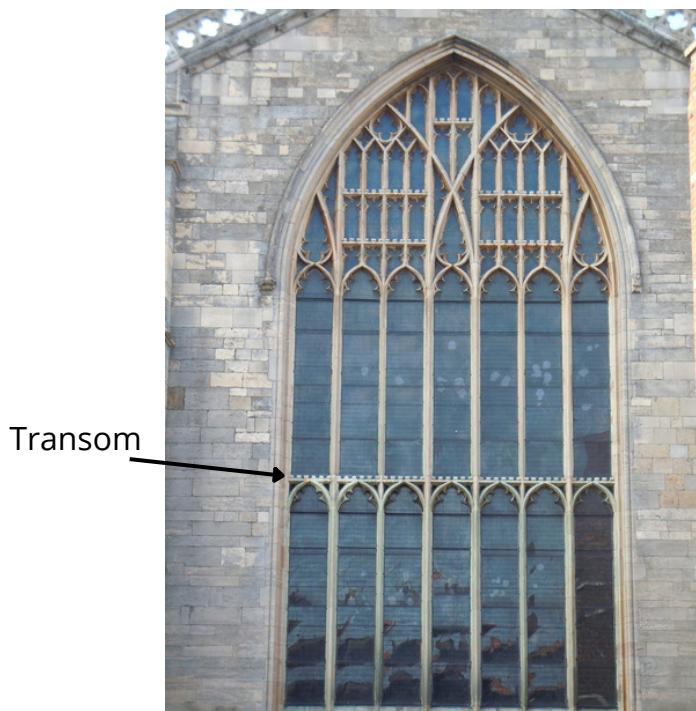
Glossary of terms



Lancet



Reticulated / net like tracery



Trefoil

News, Events and Resources

Sir Joseph Banks 'Agronomist to Industrialist' Talk by Paul Scott

Paul Scott of the Sir Joseph Banks Society, will give a talk at Revesby, St Lawrence on **Friday 8th September at 7pm**. Tickets are £7.50 and include coffee and cake - either contact Christina on 07876 636104 or purchase from the Joseph Banks Centre in Horncastle.

Joseph Banks became famous accompanying James Cook on the Endeavour. His later contributions to the creation of Kew Gardens, and his influence on the formation of Australia as a British colony is well documented. However, there is much less published material concerning his contribution to manufacturing and industry.

Test your boiler day

A good idea from Oxford DAC - Test your boiler day - Diocese of Oxford (anglican.org). Although this event has passed, checking your heating system before the cold creeps in is always prudent and could help ensure your church is warm throughout the winter months. Regular servicing and maintenance could keep your boiler in good order for longer so why not make this an annual summer task. It's very easy to forget about it until it is needed, by which time it might be too late. As we work towards net-zero carbon, planning ahead for heating systems becomes ever more important. Knowing that the boiler works (or not) before you need it will help planning and help churches along the path to net-zero. Please do be in touch if you feel your boiler is in need of repair or replacement as permissions may need to be sought. The DAC's heating adviser is up to date on the Church of England's net-zero carbon aims and can offer advice to parishes, including the carrying out of site visits.

Heritage Open Days - Creativity Unwrapped

Heritage Open Days will run from Friday 8th to Sunday 17th September. The theme for 2023 is 'The Arts of Lincolnshire - Creativity Unwrapped' and it is good to see churches have already registered their events. The online brochure is now available and any alterations to events will be on the website. If you visit any of the events (not just the ones in churches) please feedback your experience online.



Churches as Community Business Venues - Hubs Working Together

Thanks to funding from the Benefact Trust, the Plunkett Foundation are holding an hour long webinar on **12th September from 1pm**, to explore how community businesses can work within an active place of worship. This session will offer the chance to hear from two community businesses already running in churches in Herefordshire. There'll be plenty of time for questions and you will find out how to access free advice and support plus grants of up to £5,000 to help you explore how co-location might work for you. For further information and booking details, follow this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/churches-as-community-business-venues-hubs-working-together-tickets-682113468747?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Ride and Stride - Saturday 9th September

Start planning where you might ride or stride to for this annual fundraiser for Lincolnshire Churches Trust. Funds raised are split between the trust and your church. We have a fantastic collection of churches in this diocese, many of whom have had a grant from Lincolnshire Churches Trust in the past. More information and how to register will be on the LCT website shortly.





Environment Programme Webinars

The Church of England Environment Programme Webinars are taking a summer break but will be back with new content this autumn, with a focus on Eco Church, land, and fundraising. Booking details below and remember that you can watch previous webinar content from the [website](#) too.

ECO CHURCH

GETTING STARTED WITH ECO CHURCH

Thursday 14 September 12-1pm, [BOOK HERE](#)

This webinar will tell you everything you need to know to get started. Come along if you've heard of Eco Church but haven't started yet, and want to know a little more before you take the plunge.

WORKING TOWARDS AN AWARD AND MAINTAINING MOMENTUM

Tuesday 19 September, 12 noon-1pm, [BOOK HERE](#)

This webinar is aimed at people in churches who have registered for Eco Church and taken their first steps, but need a little help to get things going and work towards their Bronze or Silver award.

WORKING TOWARDS NET ZERO CARBON

Tuesday 26 September, 4-5pm, [BOOK HERE](#)

This webinar looks at the links between Eco Church and Net Zero Carbon; how they are different and how they inter-connect.

FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR CARBON-CUTTING PROJECTS

(1) FUNDRAISING FROM COMMUNITY GRANT-MAKERS

Tuesday 10th October, two options:

- 12 noon-1:30pm (slanted towards larger churches/cathedrals, likely to have staff) [BOOK HERE](#)
- 7-8:30pm (slanted towards small/medium churches with volunteer fundraisers) [BOOK HERE](#)

Funds are available for carbon-cutting projects from a range of 'community-led' grant-makers such as the National Lottery. However, the challenge with funders interested in the community angle will be how church carbon-cutting projects (heating, lighting, insulation, solar, etc) can demonstrate the wider outcomes and impact on the wider community.

(2) FUNDRAISING FROM ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT-MAKERS

Thursday 19th October, two options:

- 12 noon-1:30pm (slanted towards larger churches/cathedrals, likely to have staff) [BOOK HERE](#)
- 7-8:30pm (slanted towards small/medium churches with volunteer fundraisers) [BOOK HERE](#)


There are a number of opportunities in the environmental funding landscape for carbon cutting projects. However, available funding is challenging to secure in a very competitive market-place. With a small number of funders such as Garfield Weston, this webinar will help you work out if your project can fit funders' criteria.

(3) FUNDRAISING FROM FAITH-BASED GRANT MAKERS

Thursday 9th November, two options

- 12 noon-1:30pm (slanted towards larger churches/cathedrals, likely to have staff) [BOOK HERE](#)
- 7-8:30pm (slanted towards small/medium churches with volunteer fundraisers) [BOOK HERE](#)

Funders with a keen interest in the Christian faith and the Church of England are clear opportunities for fundraising for your carbon-cutting projects. But how do you ensure your case for support is built around our missional response as a Christian church? This webinar will focus on how you can position your net zero carbon projects for a faith-based audience.





Maintenance

Ventilation, ventilation, ventilation! Yes we know it has been wetter than average so far this summer but make sure air can flow to keep the building healthy. Windows, doors, air bricks, pew platform vents - keep them open. And remove rubber backed carpets so moisture can escape from the floor.

Recommended Monthly Tasks ***(From SPAB's Faith in Maintenance calendar)***

August

- Take a break!

September

- If your roof space has safe access and is boarded, check whether there is evidence of leaks or damage to the roof covering during heavy rain, especially below gutters.
- Clear away any plant growth from around the base of the walls and in particular from the drainage channel.
- Make sure that water tanks and exposed water and heating pipes are protected from frost. Any leaks should be repaired.
- Make sure that any airbricks or under floor ventilators are free from obstruction and clean if necessary.

October

- Check masonry for signs of damage. Report any deeply eroded mortar joints or cracks or signs of movement.
- Check that snowboards and access walkways are in a good state of repair.
- Clear leaves and debris from gutters and rainwater pipes regularly and check for any storm damage. Frequent attention may be needed if the building is surrounded by trees, or perched on by pigeons.

Risk Calendar

Taken from [Ecclesiastical Insurance's Church Risk Calendar](#), where more information can be found.

August - Electrical wiring

Electricity has the potential to cause considerable damage to property and serious personal injury. Check your electrical systems have been inspected by a qualified electrician within the last five years and all portable appliances have been tested.

September - Slips and trips

Ecclesiastical's claims data shows that slips and trips are the most common cause of injury in churches. To reduce the risk, review your precautions to tackle slip and trip hazards both indoors and outside.

October - Working alone

Working alone can present a number of hazards, including an increased risk of assault and/or aggression. Review situations where people complete tasks on their own to check the adequacy of precautions in place to protect them.

Check out the proformas at [Ecclesiastical Insurance](#).



National Lottery Heritage Fund strategy and delivery plan



As part of their new 10 year strategy Heritage 2033, the National Lottery Heritage Fund has issued a delivery plan, setting out the four principles (saving heritage, protecting the environment, inclusion, access and participation and organisational sustainability) that all applications will need to take into account as well as the six strategic initiatives identified for the strategy period (place, nature cities and towns, integrated landscapes, heritage in need, opportunities and existing programmes and collaborations).

This year is a transition to Heritage 2033, with the last applications under the existing Strategic Funding Framework being accepted in November for grants of between £10,000 and £10 million and December for grants under £10,000. As part of this transition, the NLHF will be carrying out a scoping exercise for grants of less than £10,000 to be delivered through other organisations and initiatives. The first applications under the new strategy will be accepted from January 2024, when new guidance notes and application forms will be available.

For further details, the delivery plan can be read here.

<https://www.heritagefund.org.uk/sites/default/files/media/attachments/Heritage%202033%20delivery%20plan%202023-2026.pdf>

Claiming back VAT

The Listed Places of Worship Grant Scheme (LPWGS) website has just been upgraded <https://listed-places-of-worship-grant.dcms.gov.uk/> This is the place to come to reclaim the VAT on building works, repairs and maintenance on listed church buildings. The website has a detailed list of what is and what isn't reclaimable and the process to reclaim the VAT now seems more straightforward. One change we have noticed is that as well as being able to reclaim VAT on building works of over £1,000 you can now also submit one claim in any 12-month period that is less than £1,000, but more than £500. If you need help or advice on reclaiming the VAT please contact the LPWGS directly – contact details are on the website or give the Church Building Team a ring.

Historic England 'Building Stones of England'

Historic England have just launched their new 'Building Stones of England' database. This is a fully searchable resource which allows you to browse the geological map, as well as search for a building stone, stone source or structure or search by postcode, address or place-name through an online interactive GIS (Geographical Information System). In addition, new downloadable county guides have also been produced and the Lincolnshire one is certainly worth a read. The database can be found here: <https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/technical-advice/buildings/building-stones-england/> and the guide to stone in Lincolnshire can be found here:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/building-stones-england-lincolnshire/>



Grant Information

Where to start

Please get in touch with the team, to discuss which grants to apply for and when. We can help you come up with a funding plan for repairs and new facilities.

You can register with this website for free to search for grant funding:

Charity Excellence Framework:

<https://www.charityexcellence.co.uk/>

The Voluntary Centre Services and Lincolnshire Community and Voluntary Service host a free web-based funding information service. For further information visit their webpage:

<https://lincolnshirevolunteering.org.uk/find-funding/>

Organisations can sign up to a regular funding newsletter here: <http://eepurl.com/hWu2Vn>

Grants with no deadlines

ASDA Foundation: Green Tokens Benefact Trust The Barron Bell Trust The Beatrice Laing Trust The Bernard Sunley Foundation
Church Buildings Council Conservation Reports
The Clothworkers' Foundation The Co-op Local Community Fund The Foyle Foundation
Small Grants Garfield Weston Henry Smith Charity
The Hobson Charity Ltd John Warren Foundation The Kochan Trust Lincolnshire Churches Trust National Lottery Community Fund: Awards for All National Lottery Community Fund: Reaching Communities Fund
National Lottery Heritage Fund: Grants for Heritage (up to £250,000) The Rank Foundation
Pebble Grants Tesco Bags of Help The Tudor Trust

Share your grant news and sources

Please do share your grant news, good and bad with us. We know that parishes starting out on a project find it really helpful to hear what others have done elsewhere. Help us to build the network across our Local Mission Partnerships.

Upcoming Grant Deadlines

August	
15	National Churches Trust Medium Grant
15	Wolfson (via National Churches Trust)
30	Mick George Community Fund (southern part of diocese)
31	The Georgian Group - Cleary Fund
31	William and Jane Morris Fund
September	
1	Marshalls
1	Churches Conservation Foundation
5	Idlewild Trust
6	FCC Communities Fund (formerly WREN)
15	Skinnners Company Lady Neville Charity
30	The On Organ Fund
October	
1	Bicker Wind Farm
1	Laceyby Solar Farm Community Fund
2	The Worshipful Company of Glaziers
31	War Memorials Trust

Key Dates

The DAC agenda dates and meeting dates for the next four meetings can be found below. Please get in touch with Steven or Peter for further information.

Meeting Date	Agenda Closes
Wednesday 6th September	Wednesday 23rd August
Thursday 5th October	Thursday 21st September
Thursday 9th November	Thursday 26th October
Thursday 7th December	Thursday 23rd November



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Contributions and Suggestions Please

Have you got a good news story about your church building, carried out a project, found grant funding or have something you'd like to share? We would like to include your contributions in future editions. If there is a subject you would like us to cover, let us know and we will see what we can do. Email the team via churchbuildings.team@lincoln.anglican.org

Church Photographs

It would be really helpful if you could share your photographs of churches with the Church Buildings Team. Whilst we have an archive, they are not as up to date as they could be. Clear pictures through the seasons of the exterior as well as key items and facilities in the interior are always useful. Get in touch with the team via churchbuildings.team@lincoln.anglican.org