

The Future of All Saints' Church in Winterton – Public Meeting on Saturday 30 June

At 10am in All Saints' Church there will be a presentation about the plans for the future of the church and the details of a major heritage and restoration project. It will include a talk, display and question time. All those interested are most welcome.

The All Saints Forward Group has been working since 2009 to develop a project to secure the future of our ancient and beautiful parish church. The project is titled 'All Saints: the story it tells of Winterton'. It is a wide-ranging and ambitious project which has a big vision and a big cost – around £850,000. Support has already been offered by the Heritage Lottery Fund which accepted our Stage 1 application and awarded the Group £36,000 to develop the plans further so that a Stage 2 application can be made later this year.

The Heritage Lottery Fund has indicated in principle support for our request for £640,000 for the final project, subject to our Stage 2 application being successful which, of course, is most certainly not guaranteed. And the Group has to find match funding of £210,000. Interest has already been shown by a number of potential funders and the Group is optimistic that this target can be reached.

There was widespread consultation in 2009 when the plans were at a very early stage and many members of our community contributed their ideas. This led to a public meeting in February 2010 at which outline plans were discussed. They received a very positive reception from those present. Since then those plans have been on display in the church and on our website at <http://lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/winterton/about-us/all-saints-forward/>

The ideas have now been further refined and much more detail has been added. This will be the opportunity for all to find out about these plans before they are finalised. All Saints is the parish church for Winterton and all who live here. The All Saints Forward Group wish their plans for the future to strengthen the link between the significant heritage of the church and our community so that it continues to 'tell the story of Winterton'. Please do come along and find out about the future for All Saints.

If you would like to know more about the plans, please contact Robin Shawyer on 01724 734285 or rdshawyer@gmail.com