

Funding Appeal



The future of
our church



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What is the future for our church?

If we sit back and do nothing there will be a steady decline and the eventual loss of our church. But if we act now we can ensure our beautiful church is here to serve future generations. We all have a part to play in making sure that our church has this positive future.

Winterton P.C.C. has developed a vision which has been refined by the All Saints Forward Group since 2009. Hours of research and discussion has resulted in a project which has a heritage focus but will allow us to do many things to upgrade the building and ensure its future.

The plan will let us:

- Maintain All Saints firstly as a place of worship
- Make major repairs to the roof & stonework and renew gutters & downpipes
- Create a level floor with new underfloor heating
- Install new seating to develop the nave as a large flexible area for community events
- Install new lighting and sound systems
- Build new toilets and a small commercial kitchen
- Reopen the north porch as an emergency exit
- Improve access to all levels in the tower
- Install a glass screen & door in the south porch
- Conserve & restore the west gallery instruments, pipe organ, paintings, windows, archives, bier, pall & much more
- Improve signage, paths and seating in churchyard
- Install new security systems
- Create Heritage Interpretation areas with displays and digital media to tell the rich story of Winterton
- Set up a new heritage website to promote this story
- Start a new lunch club to complement that already held at Trinity Methodist Church
- Set up new learning activities based in church to support the curricula in our three schools
- Use the new facilities to develop additional new learning and social events

The benefits of this plan will be felt by all those who use the church for worship and social occasions including schoolchildren, the disabled, bellringers, those with specific heritage interests, family researchers, visitors and future generations.

The annual footfall inside All Saints is already over 10,000. This total will grow significantly as the planned activities bring in more users.

Why do we need funds now?

We have successfully 'passed' Stage 1 of the Heritage Lottery Fund [HLF] application scheme, requesting £640,000. This 'pass' tells us that they like our proposed project and they have awarded us £36,000 to pay for the work needed to get us to their Stage 2 [final] application.

The whole project will cost about £850,000 and we now need to raise £210,000 match funding to go alongside the £640,000 we hope to get from HLF. They will not consider our Stage 2 application later this year if we cannot show that the match funding is secured.



We have applied to many potential grant-awarders, other than HLF, and have received positive encouragement and several positive responses. To date we have over £50,000 match funding towards the target. Many responses are yet to be received.

In 2010 we were fortunate to receive two anonymous donations from Winterton residents specifically given to make sure this project could proceed. The donations [£25,000] were gift-aided so the actual total we received was over £32,000. Some of that money has already been spent to get our project to the HLF Stage 1 application. The residue now forms part of our match funding total.

We hope to raise more match funding now with this local appeal. It will help us to demonstrate that our local community is firmly behind our project.

Our community has made such a major investment in the past, most recently in 1903, when the church roof was raised and pinnacles added to the tower. Now it is our turn!

Can you help?

All Saints' parish church has stood at the heart of our town for nearly a thousand years. Over that time it has been enlarged, enhanced and adapted to the changing needs of the community. Every generation has cared for it and tried to pass it on in good condition for their children.



Our generation has already carried out significant repairs and updating work. Since 1998 we have raised over £70,000 to do this work. We are very grateful to those funders [Marshall's Charity, Lincolnshire Churches Trust and Entrust Landfill] for their generous grants in the past, which have helped us to do this work, including roof repairs, developing the Parish Room, erecting window guards and redecoration.

All Saints is not a wealthy church and we do not receive money from the government to maintain the building.

We invite you to consider your part in the future legacy of our community's beautiful parish church.

Between us can we raise a further £21,000 [10% of the match funding needed]?

Can you contribute an amount towards this target for our current restoration and development project?



Appeal Donation Form

I would like to contribute to the Appeal and I wish to make a donation of

£

**I enclose a cheque for this amount payable to WINTERTON PCC or

**I have made a bank transfer for this amount to the bank account of WINTERTON PCC at Cooperative Bank [bank code 08-92-99; account no. 65188268].

** Please delete as appropriate. [If you prefer to make a regular monthly or annual donation, please contact Robin Shawyer on 01724 734285].

Please print:

Family Name & initials.....

House no./name.....

Postcode

Telephone e-mail

Please send this reply and cheque, if appropriate, to All Saints' Church Treasurer, Robin Shawyer, 31 Earlsgate, Winterton, DN15 9SS. Donations will be acknowledged and used only for the purposes of this appeal.

Your gift will be increased if you gift aid it. Every £1 you give is increased by 25p.

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Gift Aid Declaration

I wish Gift Aid to apply to the donation stated above and I confirm I will pay in this tax year an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax at least equal to the amount that all charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs to which I give will reclaim for this year (25p for each £1 given).

I understand that other taxes such as Council Tax and VAT do not qualify.

Please tick

Signature

Did you know?

Our programme of events last year held in the church included concerts by brass bands, jazz bands, male voice choirs, folk band, junior choir, flower arranging demonstration, flower festival, coffee mornings, craft day and heritage open day talk and tour.

The church is always open on Wednesday afternoons for visitors, with welcome staff on hand.

There are weekly bell-ringing practices and an organ school to teach teenagers to play the pipe organ and an adult 'improvers' group also meets once per month.

The church is open for activities on over 250 days per year. Key holders will open at any other reasonable time on request.



Some of our future events

Sunday 22 July 2012: Open Gardens of Winterton
Gardens open in Winterton from 12 to 6pm. Ticket sales [£3 each] at All Saints. Refreshments available. Proceeds in aid of Church Restoration Project.

Friday 7 September, 2012: New Orleans Heat Jazz Band At 7.30pm. Tickets £10.50 inc light supper & wine. Yet another visit of this popular traditional jazz band.

Saturday 15 September 2012: Coffee Morning and Saturday 13 October 2012: Coffee Morning Both occasions 10am to 12 noon. All welcome. Free entry.

Friday 19 October 2012: South Yorkshire Police Male Voice Choir Their second concert for Winterton. Tickets £8 inc refreshment [under 16s free]

Saturday 17 November 2012: The Mighty Burgage Band Tickets £8 inc refreshment [under 16s free]

Tickets from Robin Shawyer 01724 734285 or Ida Liversidge 01724 732268