CHURCH BUILDINGS PROJECT SUMMARY



Project Type: New Works: Toilet, Kitchen and Reordering.

Project Title: The Reordering Project

Location: All Saint's Church, Longstanton, Cambridgeshire.

Aims: To install facilities and flexible communal spaces to meet the needs of a rapidly expanding local community.

Total Cost: Phase 1: £84,000. Phase2: £160,000

Funding Sources:

- Amey Cepsa Community Fund £65,000
- National Lottery Community Fund £9,000
- Sale of church assets £100,000
- Other local donations, fundraising activities and VAT reclaim
- Two applications to the National Churches Trust were not successful.

Project Duration: Planning started in 2006. Phase I: January 2019 – April 2019. Phase 2: April 2021 – November 2021



As far back as 2006 there was a widely held belief that in order to make the church in Longstanton more open and accessible to the local and wider community, significant changes would have to made to the interior of the church building. After many years of planning, negotiations and fundraising, the project was split into two phases.

The first phase included the removal of the pipe organ, raising of the bell tower flooring area to make space for the installation of and the installation of part of the new kitchen area.

The second phase included the completion of the kitchen area, the repositioning of the baptism font, installation of a staircase to an upper floor seating area and provision of a separate meeting room at the rear of the Church.

Due to initial lack of success with grant applications, the PCC worked with 4Granst to identify potential sources of funding for phase 2. A fee of 10% was payable only when grant applications were successful.

Top Tips:

- A project like this takes time and it helps if you are retired.
- Stick with it; when the going gets tough, keep going!

More Information: Friends of All Saints' Church Website includes YouTube videos of various stages of the project.

Website: https://www.5folds.org.uk/church/all-saints-longstanton

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