



All Saints Development to proceed, with HLF support.

Psalm 145:3 - Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise.

Praise the Lord indeed. The vision, generosity and prayers of the All Saints' family have been supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund, which has awarded a grant of £543,700 towards our Church Development Plans.

Together with the funds already raised by All Saints Ilkley of over £600,000, we will now be proceeding with our development plans inside Church and with our new Link building.



Attached is a copy of the public media release agreed with the Heritage Lottery Fund, giving further details.

For our Church family there is no doubt that after all the various fundraising activities, all the consultation, all the generous gifts and pledges, all the detailed planning over several years – this is a major moment which will help us achieve our vision for our Church, our welcome to the community and a greater flexibility for worship and mission. All this is in addition to sharing the rich heritage of the fabric and the stories of worship over the Centuries.

Over the coming months, tenders will be prepared and then contractors appointed. At the moment, building works are expected approximately from August this year until April 2019 and exact dates will be communicated when known. The PCC and the Development Team are seeking to minimise disruption, and to make alternative arrangements for worship and activities during those months. Further details will be announced as soon as clarified.

This major moment in All Saints' history is as bold as those who built the first Church on the site of the Roman fort, those who created a substantive place for worship in medieval times, and those who made extensive developments during the Victorian era. We pray for the Lord's hand on all the work about to be undertaken.

We also continue to pray for energy for further funding that will enable us to complete our third vision for the site, namely the major refurbishment of Church House with our new kitchen, new toilets and significant improvements to the hall, meeting rooms and offices.

Bishop Nick of Leeds on hearing the 'fantastic news' offers his congratulations to the congregation; promises his ongoing prayers and looks forward to seeing the project develop. So now, may we pause to celebrate the Lord's blessings on us at this moment, and accept the Lord's challenge that through this project we may be a blessing to our wider community.

1 Chronicles 16:34 - Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever.

For further details, questions and opportunities to support the project, please contact Derek Twine, Development Coordinator derekmwine@gmail.com 07535 914991

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