

St John the Divine, Elmswell Annual Parochial (APCM) Church Meeting

12th October 2020

Report on the Fabric and Ornaments of the Church for the year 2019/20

1. **South Aisle repair** – The South aisle has been redecorated following the roof repair. Unfortunately we still have ingress of damp from the box gutter above the doorway, which the architect is advising on.
2. **North Aisle slate roof** – A cracked slate has led to water leaking in by the doorway, in the September storms. We will approach Border Roofing to rectify damage after receiving the quinquennial report.
3. **Church Room Redecoration** – A List B faculty has been granted for the redecoration of the church room and lower tower room. However the start of work has been delayed by the Covid19 pandemic.
4. **Covid19**. The Church fabric has been inspected twice a week and the water run (to avoid legionnaire's disease) since the start of lockdown, and the sanctuary made Covid19 secure to allow services to resume. The building is not used for 72 hours after each Sunday service, to prevent transmission of the virus. Sanitising alcohol-based gels, towels, face masks and gloves have been provided to protect those entering the building. Track and Trace monitoring in line with government regulations are in place.
5. **General maintenance** –Rosie Ellis organised brass cleaning and spring cleaning working parties. Ground clearance, tree pruning and churchyard maintenance were carried out by various volunteers. The gravel has been replenished on the driveway, and down to the car park. Thanks to all the church family members involved in maintaining our church.
6. **Gutter Clearance Contract** –Since the demise of MyGroup and the Elix maintenance scheme, we have signed a contract with Lodge and Sons to clear the gutters, downpipes and drains annually from February 2020.
7. **Saxon Fire** – The annual inspection was completed in October. No issues.
8. **E-Bound** – The annual test and service were carried out in January. No issues.
9. **Quinquennial Inspection** – The architect conducted the quinquennial inspection on October 1st, and will report back to us on all issues that require attention in the church building.
10. **The Churchwardens have checked the goods and ornaments of the church against the inventory and Terrier in May 2019 and September 2020 and can declare that the articles are in agreement with the terrier and Inventory.**
11. **Events which have occurred in 2019 and the summer of 2020 have been recorded in the logbook.**

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