

TRANSFORMATION PROJECT LATEST NEWS 26th January 2024

CT reported that the revised costing for the three phases has been received. Work is underway to produce a summary of the figures to provide a clear statement of costs to the PCC and potential funders.

CT proposed that a small team is formed to manage local fundraising events and said that a team leader is needed. DWB will appeal for a volunteer through the newsletter. There would then be three levels of funding: Chell Perkins for major grants; AS for local organisations/individuals and the local fundraising team.

The PCC approved a request to transfer the balance of the the “Decorating Fund” (designed to hold funds to redecorate the church every 25 years and amounting to just over £9,000) to the Transformation Fund, since the Transformation Project will include redecoration anyway.

AS had given a presentation to the Huntingdon Rotary Club on 23 November and will shortly be meeting the Huntingdon Freeman’s Trust (noted that the project would be eligible for funding from this charity, since it would potentially be beneficial to residents of Huntingdon); he also hopes to make a presentation to Godmanchester Town Council shortly.

With reference to paying for Phase IV of the project (the detailed design work), CT noted that there we now had well over £50,000 available and need approximately £12,000 to meet the cost of £70,000. CT will speak to the congregation after the 9.30am service on Sunday to highlight that once the design work is complete, Chell Perkins can then start to approach major donors.

As will update the Transformation Project tab on the website to include the latest information. DWB said he is very encouraged by progress and expressed grateful thanks to CT, AS and all involved.