

May 2021

Dear Parishioners,

Re: Stained Glass Windows and other Fundraising Ideas.

We would like to inform you all that a Parishioner has suggested as a fund-raising idea that further Names or Wishes could be added to each of the Church's Stained-Glass Windows for a set Donation. This will be an Individual Plaque for each Window with the Names / Wishes. The Plaques will then be displayed beside the individual Windows for all to see and view. Obviously, some of the Windows are on the Altar / Sanctuary and therefore understandably, we would ask everyone when entering this area that they should exercise maximum decorum, respect and reverence.

As you are aware, one pressing issue in our Church is the Thatch Roof and the Glazed Section which has recently had a Temporary Fix. Both issues are important and will need to be replaced in the next 3-4 Years. A considerable amount of Money in excess of £20,000.00 needs to be raised for this. We are therefore suggesting that the Money raised from the Plaques for the Stained-Glass Windows would go towards the Thatch Roof.

We feel the above is a good idea and we would like to see this suggestion carried forward. For us to do so, we would like to hear from you with your views and feedback on this suggestion. In particular, as you may know all the Windows have already been Donated by Families / Members of the Church and as it is very important to obtain their views on this before we think about proceeding, we will try to get in touch with the Original Donors, whilst waiting for feedback.

Your thoughts, opinions and any information on the above and the Original Donors would be most welcome to assist the Parish council.

In addition to the above, we are also thinking of producing a Photo Album of the Windows and for a set donation, the Names and Wishes will be displayed on each page with a photograph of each individual window. The Album will then possibly be displayed and available for people to purchase to keep at home.

With further reference to raising Funds for the Church Thatch Roof, it has also been suggested for the Thatch Roof to be drawn and people then pick a patch of the Roof to pay for. We would like to hear from you on this too.

Other Fundraising ideas are seriously being considered at the moment and we will have further updates after our next Council Meeting on the 20th May 2021. In the meantime, should you have any comments, ideas or wish to volunteer your services in Fundraising for consideration at the next Meeting, please send them through to the Parish Council E-mail Address – hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Anna Coffey, George Jackson and Phil Kerton

Fundraising Members of the Parish Council