

temporary reordering authorized by the Archdeacon so that the heating system could be installed.

### In Conclusion

Our aim is to continue to welcome everyone into a vibrant place of community and worship to the glory of God.

As you can see we are making progress, but there is quite a way to go. We would like to encourage you to help by letting us know how you wish to be involved and possibly committing to small regular

donations to the development & maintenance fund by filling in a standing order form and if you are a U.K. Tax payer a Gift Aid Declaration.  
Thank you

**The Development & Maintenance Fund of Alvaston PCC** is set up for the improvement and maintenance of facilities for worship and community support of the Alvaston Parish of the Church of England. In the unlikely event that there should be a surfeit of funds or should the fund become closed for other reasons the balance would be used for maintenance of the buildings (We do not envisage this happening)



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## Alvaston Parish Church

Sharing God's Love through Inspiration, Word and Action



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# ☰ St. Michael & All Angels - Alvaston Parish Church



Alvaston Parish Church has met in the current St. Michael & All Angels building for 160 years, and is committed to continuing to worship here. But St. Michael & All Angels was at a crossroads at the end of 2015

Our vision is to run a number of other regular events such as parent & toddlers, midweek coffee, tea & cake, Knit & Natter, Dementia support group, Home school center, Youth Groups, Village history group, Genealogy Groups, Community Café, Lunch Club and many more as church. To do this we realized we needed to create a supporting and welcoming community space, that is usable by all.

Over the intervening time God has enabled us to take small steps to transform the worship space and life of the church from

an inaccessible and cold space today thanks to may generous donations we have been able to:

- Install a carpet, repair and replace the floor, replace the failed display screens, install new mixer and amplifier, Improved access to the entire building including the 'accessible toilet' Replace the failed hearing loop, stop the roof leaking, and replace the heating system. And the font has again been used for baptisms

To continue the improvements we still need your generous support, both financially and with time & skills. We get no regular support from outside agencies or the national church to maintain or resource this building.

## The way forward

**Cafeteria Facilities:** We would like to construct a new kitchenette for serving food, tea & coffee under the bell tower. Plans exist for this to include an additional 2 toilets. Total cost for the area under the bell tower is expected to be around £10,000.

**Sound and display systems** We need to replace the old radio mics with good quality units (around £1000), and add additional movable displays for better use of the space.

**The Entrance lobby,** Is a cold uninviting space. By replacement of the main door with twin glazed doors. addition of new external



double doors and double glazing the window openings this would be dramatically improved and would protect the Saxon and Celtic cap-stones located there.

**Churchyard** We continue to battle with nature, and vandalism of fencing. This year we will be repairing a section of fencing that has been torn down, and continue to bring the trees into a state of good management.



**The Roof:** In the short term the leaks have been fixed, but we will eventually need to change a significant number of slates and capstones. There is also repointing and repair work needed to the new meeting room roof.

**Seating:** Following our trial, we still await final approval for the new seating arrangement that has been recommended to the chancellor by the DAC (in Aug 2017) The final arrangement can be seen in St. Michael & All angels today thanks to the

