

VENT TOWER APPEAL

I am writing to advise that unfortunately the Vent Tower on the roof of the Church, which was constructed with the building in 1880, has begun to remind us of its age, shedding nails and threatening to allow pieces of lead to detach and fall to the ground.

The Fabric Committee have considered the problem, despite its height being some 50 feet above ground. The options considered were:

- Do nothing – not advisable as the tower will continue to deteriorate and could result in personal injury or building damage. Cost £nil today but with potential major future costs
- Replace the lead covering and replace like with like – Cost £14,880 plus significant future maintenance costs for repairs and repainting.
- Removal of the tower (which is no longer functional or required) – adequate ventilation of the roof space could be achieved by vented tiles. Cost £13,000.

The Fabric Committee recommendation endorsed by the Elders is to remove the tower but as you can see significant funds are required to do this.

We intend to apply for a grant from Synod to assist with the costs and are hoping we might be supported with 50% of the cost. My appeal to the members of the Church is for help raising the other £6500 – ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP?

We would be grateful for any donations, large or small, to help us carry out the repairs to the roof.

Full Name:

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I confirm I am a UK taxpayer and I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of gift aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

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Please email form to Lynne.Hays@btinternet.com with donation details if you are able to help – many thanks