



## Performance Reward Grant Scheme

### APPLICATION FORM

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Name of initiative	Toilet provision at St Andrews Church, Collingbourne Ducis	
Brief Description of Initiative	<p>The project involves the construction of a toilet with baby change and disabled facilities in a new build room with access from inside the building. St. Andrews is in the centre of Collingbourne Ducis, is listed Grade 2* and has never had toilet facilities since it was built in the 12<sup>th</sup> century.</p> <p>As policy, the Parochial Church Council wants to encourage community involvement across the generations and for the building to be familiar to, and used much more by, all sections of the community for anything for which it is suitable, be it a drop in chat session, meeting, exhibition, or concert, in order the building can realise its full potential. This aspiration is impossible without toilet facilities.</p>	
Please put a cross against the ambition(s) that this initiative will support	Building resilient communities	X
	Improving affordable housing	
	Lives not services	X
	Supporting economic growth	
	Safer communities	X
	Protecting the environment	X
Amount of funding sought	£10,000	
What will this money be spent on? (please show split between capital and revenue. For capital expenditure guidance – see Appendix 1 in the Bid Pack)	<p>This is essentially a three month duration capital project involving building work and fitting out only. Maintenance, power, water, sewage and other ongoing running costs will be met from the day to day running cost budgets and not from within this project.</p> <p>Capital breakdown:  Architects fees: £4,122  Builder's preliminaries: £6,680  Building work: £27,783  Provisional sums and contingencies: £8,000  Total: £46,585</p>	

<p>Please describe how your initiative will support the ambition(s) indicated above, and summarise the action that will be taken</p>	<p>The building dates from 1170 and the Domesday book of 1086 records of an earlier building on the site that “the church itself is waste and dismantled” so it is clear that the site has been central to the life of the community for a millennia. The building also has an enviable acoustic which is invariably commented on by performers when the building is used for dramatic or music events and is the only one in the parish with permanent seating for about 150 people.</p> <p>However, the building has no toilet though is served by drains and water. This lack limits its use very severely unless meetings or events are restricted to about an hour’s duration in the interests of bodily comfort, not to mention the needs of performers to be comfortable on arrival and while performing.</p> <p>This initiative addresses this shortcoming and enables a historic building, an existing important asset in the villages, to be fully exploited and take a much more useful place in the built environment in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.</p> <p>Lack of a toilet particularly limits community use for the very purposes we are particularly keen to develop, for example, toddler groups, discussion groups and drop-in events where friends, volunteers and clergy can be available as friendly faces – for instance for those bringing up children and those affected by the current recession. It also makes it impractical to host any cultural events targeting the wider Wiltshire community because of associated travelling time to the venue - particularly unfortunate as the building is one of all to few in the area ideal for music performances from jazz to choral and strings to brass. As an example of this usage, a necessarily short concert in 2005 raised £1,786 for charity.</p> <p>The primary school use the building for special assemblies, such as the annual Leavers Assembly when the top year moves on to secondary school, and dealing with 100+ children with no toilet is not easy for teaching staff. The school would make more use of the building if it was more suitable for children.</p> <p>Ceremonies important in society such as weddings, funerals and remembrance day are held in the church with people from all denominations and walks of life arriving from a distance usually horrified and discomfited to discover there are no toilet facilities. This reflects badly on the community at large and is addressed by this proposal.</p>
<p>What makes this initiative a local priority (eg evidence from research and local support)</p>	<p>The Collingbourne and Everleigh villages have little provision for structured social and community involvement other than sport and a few clubs. Anti-social behaviour has been substantially reduced in the villages by recent community work and this progress needs to be built on. Older people feel threatened, though they have no real reason to do so, and this in turn leads to tensions in the community generally and overtime working of the rumour machine, with the inevitable social damage. Working people and parents do not have time after work to travel to neighbouring towns and do not have the opportunity to mix informally. However, special events in the building have to be limited in attendance as due to popularity they get oversubscribed - with those attending asking for more of the same.</p>
<p>How will you know you have been successful?</p>	<p>Feedback from volunteers and clergy. Increased attendance at toddler groups and drop-in events combined with greater demand for use of building by the community for meetings, exhibitions, concerts, charitable events etc.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How will you measure the impact? (may have more than one measure)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased formal and informal use of the building as outlined above.</li> <li>Greater social interaction and better feeling of familiarity and security in members of the community worried about anti-social behaviour and their own safety in public spaces.</li> <li>Greater use of the building by the local primary school for special assemblies, concerts etc.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is your improvement target (s), and when do you expect to achieve this/these?</li> </ul>	<p>Improved hygiene by providing proper facilities: – immediately on completion.</p> <p>Ramping up of community use of the building: - from 2010 onwards.</p> <p>Increased number of cultural events: - from 2010 onwards.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How will you ensure that the improvement continues after the end of the initiative?</li> </ul>	<p>By continuing to provide the toilet facility and maintaining it in good order.</p>
<p>Who will benefit from this initiative?</p>	<p>The project addresses a need of the community at large. The 2001 census shows about 850 souls in Collingbourne Ducis alone, with a further 200 in neighbouring Everleigh. At least half of this number will directly benefit at some time during a year.</p>
<p>Confirm no unfunded commitments from this initiative</p>	<p>I confirm that there will be no unfunded financial commitments arising from this initiative.</p>
<p>What are the key risks to success and how will these be managed?</p>	<p>To date, confirmed funds have been raised of £31,357 including donations and a grant from the Parish Council. Grant applications, including this one, and money raising events will account for the remaining funding.</p> <p>A benefactor, who wishes to remain anonymous, has guaranteed a loan of up to £10,000 so that work can begin at the end of 2009, subject to other funding being in place and we believe it will be. Defaulting on this loan is probably the greatest financial risk and we want to repay it as quickly as possible. The general running cost income for the church is about £35,000 per year raised from donations and public subscription from the local community (see census figures above), leaving only a small margin of income for meeting repayments. This grant will enable us to minimise the loan requirement and have the community benefits in place in early spring 2010.</p>
<p>Who will manage the initiative</p>	<p>The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Collingbourne Ducis &amp; Everleigh and the two churchwardens (M. Cox and R. Carter).</p> <p>The project engineer is Mike Cox BSc. C.Eng., Berrynarbor, Cadley Road, Collingbourne Ducis, SN8 3EA Tel: 01264 850360 and e-mail: mike.cox@savernaketteam.com</p>

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Chairman of Area Board

Dated: