

Brook and Mottistone Churches

Stewardship sub committee MK,RH,NDB

Proposed Fabric Conservation and Improvement Programme: 2015

We are suggesting that PCC priority for this year is to invite donations for

a) **Conservation:** preventive action now (and maintained consistently every year) to avoid expensive repairs in the future and

b) **Improvement:** action to make the buildings more useful to the wider community.

Gift for Conservation Project :Funding Target 2015: £

More urgency will be given this year to arresting potential costly damage resulting from lost pointing, overgrowth of vegetation/roots, previous extensive re-pointing with sand/ cement mortar, as well as restoring the East entrance at Mottistone-(to match the South entrance).

a) Professional Repairs Estimated Cost 2015: £

b) Friends Volunteer Tasks: materials provision: £

Gift for Improvement Project: Funding Target 2015: £

The right kind of improvements can attract wider and more versatile participation by our community and improve the sustainability of both churches. Showing confidence in the future, and committing to share church resources more widely, we can attract a wider spectrum of donors from across the community.

Suggested Gifts for Improvements have already been suggested on the parish website as suitable for remembering a loved one. In each church, at each anniversary of their passing, their name is displayed in the inscribed Memorial Register.

- Suspended lighting for the main body of each church for better efficiency, clearer visibility and easier servicing
- Three suitable arm chairs for those unable to access our traditional pew seating, and their carers
- Re-casting of the present unusable bell at Brook
- Eco-friendly washroom and toilet provision at each church

Note: The PCC will first seek an assurance from the Diocese that our churches will remain open and available for worship for the foreseeable future, for as long as they are financially viable. This has already been implied in *'Living Together'*, the Arch-deacon's proposals for consolidation of the ordained ministry in the Isle of Wight.