

HELP US REPAIR THE ROOF OF YOUR COMMUNITY CHURCH

Welcome to St. Mary's Church.....

There has been a church here for over 800 years. Throughout that time, it has been at the heart of the community. This is a place where the church is not a mere building- it is a living community. This is a place where God continues to be worshipped.

St. Mary's is used for baptisms, weddings and funerals, by the school, as well as regular church services and events. The roof on the north side needs replacing, the estimated cost is **£86,249 +VAT**. We have applied to the government's *Listed Places of Worship Roof Repair Fund*, as always such funds will be heavily oversubscribed but our chances of success will be improved by demonstrating we are able to raise an amount ourselves. Already, through concerts and fund raising events like this, we have raised several thousand pounds.

We hope we will be successful with the grant application, if not we will be seeking support from other grants but we hope you will be able to help us too.

What's the problem with the roof?

- ◆ The North Aisle roof, over the oldest part of the church (C12th) is showing visible signs of leaks on the underside of the boarding.
- ◆ The clay tiles on the north slopes are in very poor condition.
- ◆ The lower roof over the North Aisle takes all the rainwater from the large Nave roof above and the gutters are undersized.
- ◆ The lead flashings and mortar fillets are defective and need replacing.
- ◆ The longer the water ingress continues the more damage will occur to the roof timbers of this Grade I Listed Building.

Thank You for your support.....

Imagine the generations of villagers and visitors who have supported this church. Each generation has left its mark. Please take time to review the architect's plans, read about the history and enjoy this building. Take pride in knowing whatever help you can give, your support will help ensure this building is maintained for future generations.



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