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Form 3A

(Rule 5.3)

Petition for Faculty

(proceedings started pursuant to resolution of parochial church council)

To the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Gloucester

In the parish of Lechlade

Church of Lechlade: St Lawrence

Petitioners:

FULL NAME*	RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS* (including postcode)	OFFICE HELD*
PAUL COBB	BOX TREE HOUSE, HIGH STREET, LECHLADE, GLOS GL7 3AE	CHURCHWARDEN
REV DR ANDREW CINNAMOND	THE VICARAGE SHERBORNE ST LECHLADE GLOUCESTERSHIRE GL7 3AH	VICAR OF ST LAWRENCE CHURCH
JOHN NIGEL JONES	BOW HOUSE HAMBIDGE LANE LECHLADE GLOUCESTERSHIRE GL7 3BL	CHAIRMAN, PROJECT INSPIRE AND PCC MEMBER

**Please use capital letters*

Please indicate here which of the above should be regarded as the contact address. A telephone number and email address should also be provided where possible.

John Nigel Jones

Usually the minister and churchwardens should be the petitioners. Where that is not the case, please provide an explanation here (including details of the interest which it is said that a person who is not the minister or a churchwarden has in the matter).

We have added Nigel Jones who is the Chairman of the Project Group and a member of the PCC

We petition the Court for a faculty to authorise the following-

Please describe the works or other proposals for which a faculty is sought in the way recommended by the Diocesan Advisory Committee in its Notification of Advice.

SCHEDULE OF WORKS OR PROPOSALS

Restoration and reordering works to comprise:

1. The reopening of the north porch as the main entrance with external timber door and internal doors.
2. The construction of a new limestone flag floor at a higher level than existing enabling level access by all abilities from the north porch to the communion rail.
3. The relocation of three existing ledgerstones, previously moved.
4. Raising the pulpit and relocation of the font to the east end.
5. The removal of the deal pews (retaining four shortened pews in the chancel) and replacement with 'Theo' design chairs.
6. The provision of a hybrid heating system including underfloor heating in the raised floor, trench heaters, air source heat pumps and modifications to the existing boilers.
7. Three phase electricity supply, rewiring the power and lighting circuits and provision of enhanced lighting.
8. The provision of new audio-visual system with associated WIFI and projector screen above the chancel arch.
9. Repairs to areas of lime plaster, cleaning and repainting of the walls.
10. Minor roof repairs as may be identified during the works.
11. The provision of a gallery at the west end similar to that in place prior to 1881.
12. The provision of a kitchen in the south west corner of the church.
13. The provision of two toilets - one for all abilities - to the north west corner of the church.
14. The provision of rooms for Sunday school and bible studies at the west end including occasional use of the ringing chamber.
15. The provision of a timber floor to the lower tower room.
16. Retaining the side chapel with some minor reordering including removal of the C20 reredos.
17. Reopening and restoration of the south door.
18. Modifications to the vestry for shared use as an office, provision of roof lights to provide enhanced natural light and a reclaimed stone footpath to provide level access to the vestry external door.
19. External works including locating the air source heat pumps adjacent to the south wall of the tower.
20. The construction of two small churchyard maintenance buildings on the south side of the churchyard.

Copies of the Standard Information Form and any drawings, plans, specifications, photographs or other documents showing the proposals must be provided with this petition.

A. PROFESSIONAL ADVICE

Please answer this section in every case

Has the architect or surveyor appointed under section 45 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of
1. Churches Measure 2018 been -

a. engaged in connection with the proposals?

Yes

No

b. asked for general advice in relation to these proposals?

Yes

No

2. If another architect or surveyor is being engaged -

a. what is his or her name and address?

Mr David Gadsdon
Consultant
Environmental Engineering Partnership (EEP)
The Chapel House
High Street
West Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP14 3AG

b. why is he or she being instructed in relation to the proposed works?

Mechanical and Electrical services

B. CHANGES TO THE INTERIOR AND/OR EXTERIOR OF THE CHURCH

Please answer this section if applicable. Otherwise proceed to section C

3. a. If changes to the interior and/or exterior of the church are proposed, has the PCC prepared a statement of significance and a statement of needs?

Yes

No

b. If the answer to a. is yes, please supply copies of the statements with this petition

c. If the answer to a. is no, what are the reasons for asking for permission for the proposals?

Please supply separate explanatory statement if more space is required

C. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please answer this section in every case

4. a. What is the estimated cost of the proposed works?

b. Who has estimated this cost?

The Project team with assistance from a quantity surveyor and quotations for specific works. The cost estimate includes a contingency of £100,000 and funds expended to date

c. Are the proposals wholly to be paid for by someone other than the parochial church council or wholly from funds which have already been given to the PCC for the purpose of the proposals?

Yes No

d. If the answer to c. is no, how are the proposals to be paid for? (Please give figures in the boxes below)

From-

i. the PCC's current balance of funds that are available for the purpose

ii. gifts/legacies

iii. grants or fund raising - already available
- being sought

If you are preparing a statement of needs or providing an explanatory statement under section 3.c., please include details of any fund raising strategy there.

D. PERMISSIONS FROM OTHER BODIES

Please answer this section in every case

5. a. Are any external works proposed? Yes No

b. If yes, have you consulted the local planning authority as to whether planning permission or advertisement consent is required? Yes No

c. Please include a copy of any reply from the local planning authority.

Detailed planning permission was sought from Cotswold District Council on 24th April 2023. This is being reviewed by the conservation planner.

6. a. If required, has outline or full planning permission or advertisement consent been granted? Yes No

b. Please include a copy of the planning permission or advertisement consent, if any, with this petition.

Planning application is at an advance stage.

7. a. If any of the proposals affect a scheduled ancient monument, has scheduled monument consent been obtained? Yes No

b. If yes, please include a copy of the consent with this petition.

E: ARCHAEOLOGICAL MATTERS

Please answer this section for any work to or in the church or churchyard

8. a. Have you been advised that the proposals may have Yes No

archaeological significance?

b. If so, please include any advice received.

We have engaged Urban Archaeology Ltd to provide advice and watching briefs. Reports are available in the list of documents. We plan to engage this company for further investigations and watching briefs as may be required.

c. Is an archaeologist to be involved and to be given facilities for inspection and recording during the course of the works of excavation or works to the fabric?

Yes

No

F. CONSULTATION FOR WORKS OF DEMOLITION, ALTERATION OR EXTENSION OF A LISTED CHURCH

Please answer this section if applicable. Otherwise proceed to section G

9. Have any of the following bodies been consulted?

The Church Buildings Council

Yes

No

Historic England

Yes

No

The Council for British Archaeology

Yes

No

The Ancient Monument Society

Yes

No

Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings

Yes

No

The Georgian Group

Yes

No

The Victorian Society

Yes

No

The Twentieth Century Society

Yes

No

If the answer to any of the above is yes, please include copies of any correspondence giving the views of the body concerned and your replies.

See document F101 - 'Comments Log formal consultation with amenity societies' compiled by Lechlade St Lawrence PCC dated June 2023 in the list of documents

10. a. Has the local planning authority been consulted?

Yes

No

b. If yes, please include correspondence giving its views and your reply.

G: CHURCH INSURANCE

Please answer this section for any work to or in the church or churchyard

11. Do the proposals involve external scaffolding? Yes No
12. a. Is the work or part of the work to be carried out by voluntary labour? Yes No
- b. If yes, has the PCC consulted its insurers about protecting voluntary labour against the risk of injury during the course of the work? Yes No
13. Have you informed the church's insurance company that work is to be carried out in the church or churchyard? Yes No

14. If the answer to question 12.b. or 13 is yes, please supply a copy of the insurer's approval or letter in reply.
We plan to inform the church's insurance company firstly of the general scheme once published on the church website and when the Petition is granted and details of the works are prepared,

H. DETAILS OF CONTRACTORS

Please answer this section when you wish to carry out work of any kind

15. If known, please give the name and address of each contractor to be employed for the different aspects of the works (e.g. builder, electrician, stained glass artist, organ builder etc.)

Contractor 1

Contractor 2

Contractor 3

I. TIME FOR WORK

Please answer this section in every case

16. a. How soon will the work start after the faculty is granted?

We currently envisage starting work in January 2025 although this date is dependent on various activities including the faculty process

- b. How long is it expected that it will take for the work to be completed?

Nine to twelve months

17. a. Will it be necessary to hold public worship in another building while the work is being carried out? Yes No
- b. If yes, has the Bishop consented to alternative arrangements for public worship? Yes No

J. ARCHDEACON'S LICENCE

Please answer this section if applicable. Otherwise proceed to section K

18. a. Has the archdeacon granted a licence authorising temporary minor re-ordering? Yes No

b. If yes, please include a copy with this petition. not applicable

K. PCC RESOLUTION

Please answer this section, deleting words as appropriate, in every case.

19. The parochial church council at its meeting on 22/03/2023 passed unanimously of 9 to 0 among those present and voting a resolution relating to the works or proposals. A copy of the resolution signed by the chair is included with this petition. There are 12 members of the council.

L. DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Please answer this section in every case

20. Is a notification of advice from the Diocesan Advisory Committee included with this petition? Yes No

M. FURTHER INFORMATION

Please answer this section in every case

21. a. Could the work affect any human remains? Yes No

b. Could the work affect any monuments? Yes No

22. Are any private rights (including rights in seats in the church) affected by the works or proposals? Yes No

23. If the answer to question 21 or 22 is yes, please provide details in the schedule of works or proposals.

24. Is the information about the church and churchyard included in the most recent quinquennial inspection report still accurate? Yes No

25. If there is any further information that the petitioners would like the court to take into account, details should be set out in a letter or statement included with this petition.

1. Please refer to documents 'L101 Inventory of Monuments, Memorials and Plaques' and 'L102 Schedule of monuments to be relocated'

2. Alternative places for worship include the town's Memorial Hall, St Lawrence primary school and the Baptist church. Possible arrangements are being evaluated.

We believe that the facts stated in this petition are true.

Signed: John Nigel Jones
[authorised to sign on behalf of the petitioners]

Date: 01/09/2023

(Signature(s) of petitioners or person acting on behalf of
petitioners)