



# PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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## Project Objective

To make the Church, its buildings and grounds sustainable for future generations and to encourage a more community focus to its preservation and use.

## Project Team:

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## History

The project was started in 2019 but progress stalled due to covid. However following a bequest from a faithful church member the project team reformed in 2022.

The main aim of the project is to ensure the Church building and its grounds are sustainable by; making it available for use by the community, partnering with third parties, and hosting concerts and musical events.

The team has grown over time but we are always looking for fresh input and new ideas.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Nick Miles ([nick.miles@sky.com](mailto:nick.miles@sky.com))



## *Holy Trinity - Hartshill*

After reconvening the project the team reflected on and prayed about the project and its early ambitions. As a result it was clear that the church should remain primarily as a place of worship serving the needs of the congregation and the wider community by hosting; Christenings, Weddings and Funerals. Other significant services including Remembrance and Christingle services are also important events in village life. Following consultation with the village via a questionnaire it was clear that the church was regarded as an important element of the village and there was a willingness to support initiatives to maintain the upkeep of the building and its grounds. The project team see the Parish Council, local schools and businesses as key partners and or potential users of the church buildings.

The Community Centre regularly receive enquiries from potential users who cannot be accommodated but who may be able to use the church and this is an area we are keen to explore further.



## Want to get involved?

As well as general project team members we are looking for people who might be interested in the following:

### *Community Gardening*

Using your green finger skills with fellow gardeners in a safe and welcoming environment.

### *Heritage*

The Heritage of Hartshill has been written about over the years and an area for people to visit would help preserve our Village History. If this sounds like something you would be willing to help with please get in touch.

### *Concerts*

Are you a member of a choral group, a band or a choir? Would you like to explore using the church as a new venue? Please reach out.

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## Heating Approach

The current focus of the team is the church heating system. Trying to heat a large space is expensive and unsustainable with today's high energy costs. We are focusing on a more efficient approach whereby we heat the occupants with electric heaters under the pews rather than trying to heat the whole space.

## Other areas of focus:

- redecoration of the church interior
- establishing a community gardening team to maintain and develop the church grounds to foster community well being.
- partitioning the rear of the church to accommodate a community Heritage area and small meeting rooms.
- partnering with other community groups

