

Wardens' Report 23/4/23

The new Quinquennial report has been completed and returned to us with no major repairs necessary but many items that do need attention which David and I are working on. The first being a check on the electrics to ensure their safety, depending on the cost we will move on to the next item which will be Woodworm in the tower.

We have been working on the boundary hedges to keep them at a manageable height allowing the outer fabric of the Church to benefit from the circulation of air movement and we have replanted with new holly where needed. Note: my thanks to Bert Newman for his input in this matter. And Philip Deeley for keeping the grass mowed.

It has been noted that certain items have been taken from the Church during its hours of opening which prompted our decision to keep the Church locked while there was no Church member present. This will be in force for the foreseeable future.

David has compiled a plan for Fire safety and also a fire risk assessment as well as a general risk assessment for the Church and Hall.

The fire extinguishers have been checked in both the hall and the Church and replaced where needed.

Richard has successfully completed the safeguarding test for Raising awareness of domestic abuse as well as Basic awareness to accompany foundation course completed in 2021.

We are continuing to save our energy bills by changing to cost saving lighting in both the Church and the Hall.

The organ remains in good condition and benefiting from regular tuning and servicing thanks to Alan Gomersall.

I feel we now have a well maintained and well-run Church and Hall.

Richard Page and David Duckworth
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