

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**In the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Rochester**

**Parish of: Bidborough**

**Church of: St Lawrence**

**TAKE NOTICE:**

A petition for faculty has been submitted to the Consistory Court of the Diocese for permission to carry out the following:

- 1. Investigative trial holes to establish depth and footings to the Victorian porch and south aisle;**
- 2. An extension to the south elevation of the church, with a new doorway created in the east elevation of the existing porch to provide an ante room and accessible to all lavatory; and associated works to graves to facilitate the introduction of the extension, drainage and a cesspool, including the relocation of the Hunter grave and memorial, and relocation of gravestones;**
- 3. Internal reordering, to include the following works:**
  - Pews:**
    - removal and disposal of the pews from the base of the tower;
    - relocation of pews from the south aisle to the base of the tower, and associated adaptation works to pews;
  - Works to South aisle to create a fellowship area:**
    - removal of pew platforms from the south aisle, and replacement with a new suspended wooden floor, to be finished in timber parquet;
    - removal of the existing storage and refreshment area at west end of south aisle;
    - Introduction of bespoke storage and tea station at west end of south aisle;
    - Removal of the existing floor grilles, and renovation of tiled floor, including a new border around the font to delineate from tea station/fellowship area;
  - Heating:**
    - Removal of all high-level tubular heaters and tubular heaters from backs of pews;
    - Replacement with new under-pew heaters;
    - Replacement of heaters in base of tower with high level quartz halogen heaters;
    - Replacement of heaters in the Sanctuary;
    - Introduction of electric underfloor heating to south aisle.

Details of the proposals are included in the following documents:

- i. Statement of Significance and Statement of Needs;
- ii. Addendum to Statement of Needs dated April 2017 – drainage options;
- iii. Emails dated 12 June 2017 and 4 September 2017 from Helen Dye, Dye Tabrett;
- iv. Background document: "South Aisle" dated September 2017;
- v. Background document: "Baptism services and Font" dated 4 September 2017;
- vi. Photo document 1: Proposed extension to South Elevation to provide Disabled WC and Internal Re-ordering prepared by Dye Tabrett;

- vii. Photo document 2: Gravestones to be Relocated in Churchyard prepared by Dye Tabrett;
- viii. Photo document 3: Collapsed tomb – Proposed siting of Cesspool and Re-siting of the Hunter tomb prepared by Dye Tabrett;
- ix. Photo document 4: Existing photos of internal areas to be Reordered prepared by Dye Tabrett;
- x. Photo document 5: Photos of Current Refreshment Area in South Aisle prepared by Dye Tabrett;
- xi. Drawings 425.02A, -/10D,-.11A -/11A (Drainage Mark-up), -/12B, -/15A, -/16B, -/GH1 prepared by Dye Tabrett;
- xii. Photos of tea station similar to that proposed, and proposed floor finish.
- xiii. Arboricultural report dated 12 June 2017 prepared by Landvision;
- xiv. Drawing STL/BR/017/011 Rev 1 (Tree protection plan) prepared by Landvision;
- xv. Quotation for archaeological watching brief, and attached drawing prepared by Archaeology South East dated 26 April 2017;
- xvi. CCTV drainage survey report prepared by Hydro dated 22 April 2017;
- xvii. Letter from Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings dated 23 November 2015;
- xviii. Letter from Historic England dated 2 December 2015
- xix. Letter from Church Buildings Council dated 21 January 2016;
- xx. Emails from the Victorian Society dated 10 May 2016 and 27 October 2016.

**Copies of the relevant plans and documents may be examined at:**

The Rectory,  
Rectory Drive,  
Bidborough

**If you wish to object to any of the works or proposals you should send a letter stating the grounds of your objections to:**

**THE DIOCESAN REGISTRAR,  
Mr O Carew Jones  
Minerva House  
5 Montague Close  
LONDON  
SE1 9BB**

**so that it reaches the Registrar not later than 15 January 2018.** A letter of objection must include your name and postal address and state whether you live in the Parish and/or your name is entered on the church electoral roll of the parish or any other basis on which you have interest in the matter.