

Summary of Minutes of St Peter's Church PCC Tuesday 18th November 2025

Matters Arising

1. Action Points

- Pigeon deterrent spikes – extra ones now fitted in the porch, but further needed in the bell tower. This will be the responsibility of the bell ringers.
- Fire evacuation responsibility and procedures - All group leaders will be given appropriate guidelines.

Buildings

- Heating and Insulation - insulation of the church roof is now in place and thanks were expressed to Ian Hayes and his team for all their efforts. Application has been made for a grant from the District Council and we are awaiting their response.
- Lychgate - we are still waiting for a start date.
- West Doors - a start date for this work is still under review, depending on an acceptable quote and further investigation into additional funding.
- Ladies' Toilets - we are still waiting for a second quote. In the meantime priority is being given to arranging urgent repair to the floor in the additional needs toilet.

Churchyard Matters

The pile of green waste continues to grow and the concern is trees will suffer over time because of the compaction on their roots. Investigation as to possible options to resolve this is ongoing.

Finance

There is continued pressure on the Church's cashflow due to increased staff costs, because of new government legislation, and a fall in giving.

Businesses

There is still a vacancy in Discoveries for a deputy manager and a project is underway on the best recruitment plan. A volunteer review is also being carried out with the aim to encourage more people to join the teams in both Discoveries and the Café.