

NORTH LUFFENHAM PARISH COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form, attach supporting documentation and send to: The Clerk to North Luffenham Parish Council (By email: nickian@talktalk.net)

Contact Details

- 1. Name of Organisation: North Luffenham Parochial Church Council
- 2. Name of Applicant: Mrs JM Whittaker
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- 4. Position within Organisation: Churchwarden and Chair North Luffenham PCC
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- 7. Is Your organisation a registered charity: NO but as PCC has Charitable Status
- 8. If Yes Charity Number:

Project Details:

9. Details of the project for which grant is required: (Additional detail may be included in a simple business case attached to the application)

A briefing note outlining the background to this application is attached.

A grant of £300 is sought towards the costs of maintenance of the Church Graveyard (Excluding War Graves) in 2015. Please see attached briefing note. In 2015 the cost of maintaining the Graveyard was £928.50 (excluding a grant of £913.50 from Commonwealth War Graves Commission). Copies of invoices for the work completed by our contractor Mow All can be provided on request.

As shown at Para 8 of the enclosed C of E Membership return, the Church has a "worshipping community" of 26. A Monthly Service is held in the Church focused on young people. The Church hosts weekly services for the Village School in Term-Time. In addition to these statistics, in 2015, some 200 people attended Remembrance Day and 120 people attended the Carol Service.

In 2015 there were six funerals followed by burial of the deceased or the burial of cremated remains – none of these related to regular church goers but to the broader Parish Community.

- 9. Total project cost: £928.50
- 10. Amount sought from NLPC: £300
- 11. Have any funds been requested from other sources: No (Other than CWGC for work outwith the maintenance costs identified above)
- 12. If Yes please give details:
- 13. When are funds required: By 31 Mar 16.

Signature: ORIGINAL SIGNED

Organisation: North Luffenham PCC Date: 29 FEB 16

Supporting Documents Required:

DOCUMENT REQUIRED	CHECKED
Business case if appropriate	Attached including Feb 15
	Quotation
Copies of last year's year end accounts.	Attached
Copy of constitution (Where applicable)	
Evidence of separate bank account:	Attached
Summary of the number, or percentage, of members	
that belong to the organisation and that live within the	Annual C of E Membership
North Luffenham Parish Area.	Return is attached
Details of any restrictions placed on who can use/access their services,	None
Details that an active Youth Policy is being pursued. (If	Monthly 'All Age Worship'
applicable)	service is held which is
	specifically targeted at Young
	People

PCC/Fin

29 February 2016

Parish Council (Through Parish Clerk)

BRIEFING NOTE - APPLICATION FOR A GRANT IN SUPPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL TOWARDS THE COST OF MAINTENANCE OF THE GRAVEYARD AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CHURCH, NORTH LUFFENHAM

Reference:

A. Responsible care for Churchyards - *A brief practical guide for parishes* (www.churchofengland.org/media/55222/careofchurchyards.docm)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 1. **Legal responsibility**. Reference A indicates that although the legal ownership of a churchyard, either open or closed, is usually vested in the incumbent (The Priest in Charge), his own rights and obligations in respect of it are very limited. Today, under Canon F13, responsibility for maintaining the churchyard in good condition and maintaining fences rests with the parochial church council (PCC), except in the case of a burial ground which has been closed by Order in Council and where the obligation has been passed to the local authority (see paragraphs 14-18), but the PCC can seek financial help from local authorities and other public bodies.
- 2. **Right to burial**. Any parishioner (defined as 'those living in the Parish') has the right of burial in the churchyard if there is room, and if it has not been wholly closed for burials by Order in Council. A parishioner is not required to be a member of the Church of England, an attendee at the Church nor a contributor to the PCC.
- 3. **Support from the Local Authority**. As a local authority the Parish Council has a remit which includes Burial Grounds, Cemeteries, Churchyards and Crematoria. The Local Government Act 1972 provides that "a burial authority may contribute towards any expenses incurred by any other person in providing or maintaining a cemetery in which the inhabitants of the authority's area may be buried" (section 214(6)). This allows for local authority assistance in the upkeep of churchyards in use.

COST OF MAINTENANCE

- 4. The cost of maintenance of the Churchyard falls to the PCC and historically the Parish Council has made a grant to assistance the PCC in the maintenance of the Graveyard. Additionally, Under a Service Level Agreement (SLA), the PCC maintain a number of Commonwealth War Graves (CWG) and Service Non-War Graves cemetery within the graveyard on behalf of the CWGC and MoD. Under the terms of the SLA funding is provided to maintain these graves at a defined standard.
- 5. The balance in funding between grants received and expenditure on maintenance has been funded by the PCC. MoD funding for 'Non War Graves' has been extraordinarily problematic and the PCC Treasurer has spent much time trying to ensure that MoD contractors (Grounds maintenance contractors) meet their obligations, hence the peaks and troughs of income.
- 6. Over the past 5 years the cost of Churchyard Maintenance (Extracted from PCC Accounts) has been:

Year	PCC	CWGC	MoD	PC	Total	Notes
				Grant		
2015	£928.50	£913.50			£1,842	Reduced level of maintenance (3
						Weekly)trialed and found unacceptable.
						PC Grant applied for in FY16/17
2014	£502.50	£913.50	£1,020	£300	£2,736	MoD Payment for FY 12/13/14
2013	£1064.83	£913.50		£200	£2,178.33	
2012	£1105.50	£913.50		£150	£2,169	
2011	£834.50	£913.50		£150	£1,898	

In '08, '09, and '10 the Parish Council made grants to the PCC of £150 annually. In 2015 the PCC opted to reduce the frequency of cuts, with a corresponding reduction in costs. However, this resulted in grass that was too long and a number of complaints from parishioners and difficulties for the contractor. For 2016, the PCC have opted to revert to a system of fortnightly cuts, which will increase costs but maintain the high standards expected of this village facility.

Future costs. The PCC have approved a new grass cutting contract for 2016 and for clarity have separated the War Graves from the Parish Graveyard. The cost of maintaining the Parish Graveyard (Excl War Graves) is anticipated to be at least £1,800 (20 cuts at £90/cut - additional cuts will be provided as required).

SUMMARY

The PCC maintains the Graveyard at considerable cost to the PCC and it has long been considered appropriate that it should seek funding from the Parish Council to help offset these costs. The cost to the PCC of maintenance in 2016 is estimated to be at least £1,800. A grant is sought to help defray the 2015 cost of churchyard maintenance.

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JM WHITTAKER Churchwarden

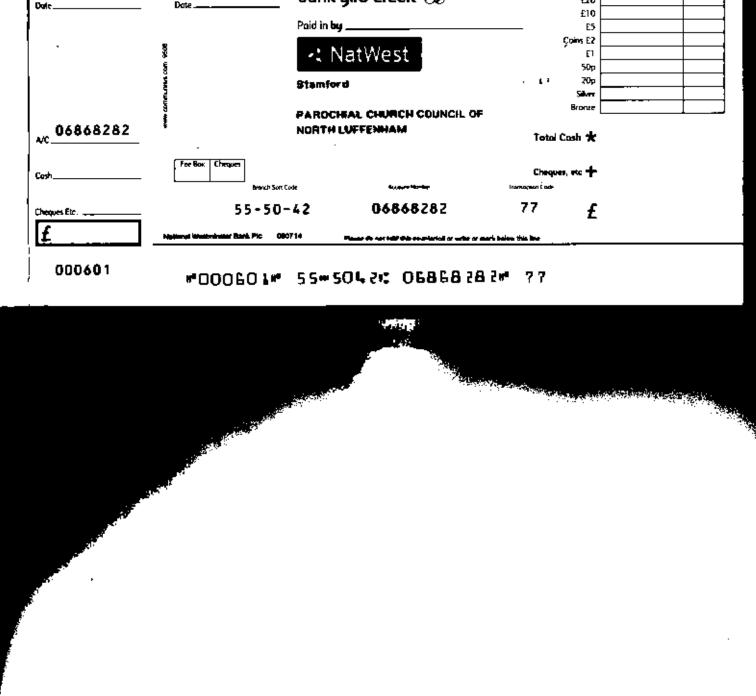
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, NORTH LUFFENHAM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2015 †

GENERAL FUND (UNRESTRICTED) RECE**IPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

Receipts		2015		201	4
Voluntary Receipts		£		£	
			3	<u> </u>	
Regular Giving	Gift aid bank .	4,660	1	5,160	
	Gift aid envelopes	1,679		1,182	
	Collections and other giving	584	1	465	
	Income tax recovered:	1,372	8,295	1,237	8,044
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Other Voluntary Receipts	North Luffenham Village Trust Grant	10,000		9,000	
	Misc Income	10,000		9,000	
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	Flower Donations	304		21	
	Other Donations Churchyard	914	11,218	2,234	11,255
	Citatalyard	717	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		11,200
Receipts from activities for genera	ting funds				
	Fundraising Events	1,553	1,553	1,516	4 -44
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Receipts from Church Activities	Fees	1,983		2,792	
	Fees due to PDBF	598	2,581	791	3,583
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Major Projects	Income Received - Roof Repair Fund	7,153	7,153		
Receipts from Investments					
Receipts from investments	CCLA - Deposit Account	352	352	323	323
	OCEA+ Deposit Account		- , ,,,,		
	Total Receipts	31,152	31,152		24,720
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Payments					
Church Activities				T	
	Diocesan Parish Share	12,297	1	11,545	
	Cost of Fundraising and Administration	45		Ö	·
	Incumbent's working expenses	1,085		924	
	Church heating and lighting	1,125		2,381	
	Church insurance	2,348		2,192	
	Upkeep of services	607		707	
	Church maintenance	994		1,216	
	General Fund	115		262	
	Churchyard Maintenance	1,842		2,736	
	Fees due to PDBF	598		791	
					22,733
Major Projects	Expenditure on Roof Repairs	10,912			
	Expenditure - Major Projects	1,200			00 700
	Total Payments	33,169	33,169	22,733	22,733
Outstanding Debtors	VAT Refund / HMRC Rebate / Quinquennial Grant		3,415 29,754		<u> </u>
Surplus for the year (Receipts -	Payments)	<u>_</u>	1,399		1,987
Bank Current and CBF Deposit			84,717		82,730
Bank current account and CBF	deposit at 31 December 15		86,116		84,717
Check Balance from Financial Sta	temente		86,116		84,717

PBG CUMMINGS

RA SWINDLEY Independent Examiner





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17th February 2015

Dear Mrs J Whittiker

Further to our meeting with yourself and Mr Cummings to discuss this seasons grass cutting for the Churchyard at North Luffenham, we will maintain the price per cut on areas 1,2,and 3 as per specification . Reducing the fortnightly cut to every three weeks which will reduce overall costings, but allowing discretion through the fast growing period to one or two extra cuts, this will allow us to maintain a good standard throught the season. I will commence at the end of March 2015 through to October 2015

The Commonwealth War Graves can be cut on a fortnightly basis as discussed with yourselves at our meeting if you require them to be cut more frequently please contact us.

(12,3) Full churchyard cut :- £90.00 per cut.

Commonwealth War Graves :- £24.00 per cut.

All work to be carried out at customers convenience, if you need any further imformation or help please contact us. Yours sincerely

Patrick M Regan



North Luffenham: St John the Baptist 2015 C of E Membership Return: January to December 2015 (<u>Draft version</u>)

Churches Included	[X] North Luffenham: St John the Baptist
1a. How many people were on the ecclesiastical Electoral Roll f Meeting in 2015?	for your parish as reported at your Annual Parochial Church
Number on the ecclesiastical electoral roll for your PARISH	35
1b. Number on the CHURCH Electoral Roll	N/A
2. How many people attend your church on a "USUAL" SUNDAY	, when there is a service?
Adults (over 16 years old)	12
Children and young people (under 16 years)	3
the relevant box.3. How many people came to your church at Easter 2015?	
Ba. Number of communicants at any service(s) on Easter Day	15
and vigil service on Easter Eve 3b. Total number attending worship (including communicants) at any service(s) on Easter Day and vigil service on Easter Eve	15
4. How many people came to special services run by your chur	ch during Advent 2015?
4a. Total number attending special services run by the church during advent (Advent Sunday until 23rd December), for example nativities, carols on the green, crib services etc, which were held for the congregation and local community	
4b. Total number attending special services run by the church during advent (Advent Sunday until 23rd December), for example nativities, carols on the green, school carol services etc, which were held specifically for civic or school organisations.	
5. How many people came to your church at Christmas 2015?	
5a. Number of communicants at any service(s) on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day	0
5b. Total number attending worship (including communicants) at any service(s) on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day	0



6. October Count (Church Attendance)

The next question is about the **OCTOBER COUNT** of the number of people who come to your church. This includes the number of people attending **services and acts of worship**, on Sunday and during the week.

You are asked to enter a count for each of the four consecutive weeks. Each weekly count should be allocated by Sunday or weekdays; adults or children; and type of service (Church, fresh expressions of church or school services).

Were there any Fresh expressions during October 2015?	[] Yes
	[X] No
Were there any school services in church during October	[X] Yes
2015?	[] No

	Number of	Adults (Children and young people		
	services	Church	F/Exp	School Services	Church	F/Exp	School Services
Sunday 4th	1	15		0	3		0
October							
Weekdays 5th -	1	0		9	0		160
10th							

	Number of	Adults (Children and young people		
	services	Church	F/Exp	School Services	Church	F/Exp	School Services
Sunday 11th	1	14		0	0		0
October							
Weekdays 12th	1	0		9	0		160
- 17th							

	Number of	Adults	dults			Children and young people		
	services	Church	F/Exp	School Services	Church	F/Exp	School Services	
Sunday 18th	1	36		0	2		0	
October								
Weekdays 19th	0							
- 24th								

	Number of	Adults			Children and young people		
	services	Church	F/Exp	School Services	Church	F/Exp	School Services
Sunday 25th	1	5		0	0		0
October							
Weekdays 26th	0						
- 31st							



7. How often does your ministry team lead acts of	[] Never
worship in school assemblies?	[] Occasionally/ ad hoc
	[X] Once a term
 This question asks about how often a member of your 	[] Usually once a month
church ministry team leads acts of worship held in	[] Usually once a week
schools. Unlike school services, which are included in	[] Usually more often than weekly
the October count, school assemblies are held within	
school buildings rather than your own church or church	
building.	
 'Usually' refers to during term-time or when the school 	
is open, ignoring school holidays.	
 Please tick one box as the closest estimate. 	

8. How many people are in your "worshipping community" at the end of 2015?

The following questions are about your "worshipping community". Think about your regular worshipping community at the end of 2015. There is an additional question to record any changes that have occurred across the year, such as joiners or leavers. For more information, please refer to http://www.churchofengland.org/media/1529895/worshippingcommunityinfo.pdf

Please complete all of the boxes, as far as you can. If there is no-one in that category, please write "0". If the age groups of the worshipping community are unknown, please write "unknown" and enter the total figure only.

Children (Age 0-10)	2
Young People (Age 11-17)	1
Adults (Age 18-69)	14
Aged Over 70	9
	26

9. How has your worshipping community changed during 2015?

9a. Worshipping Community 2015: Joiners

How many adults and children have **joined** your church during 2015? Please complete all of the boxes, as far as you can. If there is no-one in that category, please write "0". If the age groups of the worshipping community are unknown, please write "unknown" and enter the total figure only.

	Age 18+	Age Under 18
Worshipping for the first time	0	0
Moved into the area	2	0
Moved from a local church	0	0
Returned to church	0	0
Total joining	2	0

9b. Worshipping Community in 2015: Leavers

How many adults and children have **left** your church during 2015? *Please complete all of the boxes, as far as you can. If there is no-one in that category, please write* "0". *If the age groups of the worshipping community are unknown, please write* "unknown" and enter the total figure only.

	Age 18+	Age Under 18
Death/illness	0	0
Moved away	0	0
Moved to a local church	0	0
Not worshipping anywhere	0	0
Total	0	0



10. What regular fresh expressions are supported by your church?

N.B. If there are no fresh expressions of church then this section can be left blank

Name of Fresh Expression	Where it is held	How often?	Age group aimed at:	Are attendees also worshippers at	Description of activity
Expression			at.	other services in	activity
				your parish?	
	[] Church	[] Weekly	[] All age	[] Regular	
	[] Church hall	[] Fortnightly	[] 0-4	[] Irregular	
	1 Other venue -	[] Monthly	[] 5-10	I 1 Previous	
	please describe	[] Quarterly		attendees	
		,	[] 18-39	[] Never	
			[] 40-64	[-	
			[] 65+		
			[] Family		
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			[] 40-64		
			[] 65+		
			[] Family		

11. How many baptisms and thanksgiving for the gift of a child were held at your church between 1st January 2015 and 31st December 2015?

	Infants (<1 yr)	Children (1-4)	Children (5-12)	Youth / Adults (13+)
Number of persons	1	1	1	0
baptised				
Number of children for	0	0	0	0
whom a thanksgiving				
service for the gift (birth				
or adoption) of a child				
was held				

12. How many marriages and services of p	ayer and dedication after civ	vil marriage were held at your	church between 1st
January 2015 and 31st December 2015?			

Number of couples married in church	2
Number of couples for whom a service of prayer and	0
dedication was held in church (after civil marriage)	



Number of deceased for whom a funeral service was held in	3
the church	
Number of deceased for whom a full funeral service was	0
conducted (on behalf of this church) at a crematorium or	
cemetery , excluding committal only and burial of ashes only.	

14. What facilities do you have inside your church or churchyard?

- Please select one option in each of the following boxes
- A kitchen should have as a minimum a tap with drinking water, a sink, a fridge and a means of heating food.
- Do not include shops that only sell postcards, greeting cards and church guides. Only include church shops that sell at least basic food and domestic necessities.

Toilet/WC	[] Yes
	[X] No
Kitchen	[] Yes
	[X] No
A post office	[] Yes (Full time)
	[] Yes (Part time)
	[X] No
A shop or community shop (that sells at least basic food and	[] Yes (Full time)
domestic necessities)	[] Yes (Part time)
	[X] No

Thank you for completing your annual return on behalf of your church.

Please take a moment to review your answers and make sure that you have completed every question as far as possible and not left any questions blank (use "0" or "unknown" where necessary). Blank answers are often queried with the Diocese later.

Looking back across 2015, were there any exceptional	No Christmas Day Services asin Interregnum. Half term in
circumstances or significant changes that may have led to	October therefore 2 less services.
unusual figures?	
Is there anything additional that should be noted when	
including your annual return within the Statistics for Mission?	