

To: Friends of St Andrew's Church

20th October 2018

St Andrew's Church, West Deeping Friend's Group

Based on feedback received in our community regarding improvements to our church, we have taken initial steps to expand its potential use as a space where people can come together and provide an improved experience for visitors. As well as for worship, there is plenty that can be done and the possibilities are only limited by the energy and imagination of those involved.

Our initial priority will be to install a toilet and servery

As part of an overall improvement and restoration project, we have instructed an architect to draw up plans, seek the required approvals and initiate the commercial tendering process. As part of the toilet/servery installation we intend to remove the back rows of pews to create a more flexible open space and add a screen between the Nave and the Tower. Please feel free to look at the plans which are displayed in church.

The church is currently cared for by a small number of volunteers and managed by your Parochial Church Council. We receive no government funding and rely heavily on voluntary donations.

We are looking for friends like you

We are looking for people who are willing to lend a hand or share your skills or contribute in some other way to help the future of your church.

As a Grade 1* historic building and symbol of our local community past, present and future, St Andrew's Church needs an enormous amount of care and maintenance. It also needs people to encourage its use and promote its existence.

If you have an interest and care for your church, you are invited to join our 'Friend's Group'. To help ensure our church remains a vibrant part of the future of our community and a symbol of its rich heritage, we need:

- new people with a range of useful skills and experience
- help with practical tasks (by volunteering time)
- help to secure grant funding
- help with local fundraising
- new energy and thinking to enhance our ancient and beautiful church

If you would like to become a Friend please complete the Expression of Interest below or contact the PCC Secretary by email at colin.blagrove@ntlworld.com.

Thank You,
West Deeping Parochial Church Council

Expression of Interest

To: West Deeping PCC Secretary

Please keep me informed about the Friends Group for the St Andrew's Church Restoration & Improvement Project.

Name:

Preferred contact method: Email/Text/Other: