

SHAPING THE FUTURE – UPDATE FEBRUARY 2016

After the meeting in the church on Sunday 24th January it was thought that the congregation might like a note of things which are being undertaken by the Property Committee and the current list of proposed alterations to the church premises under the Shaping the Future project.

The Property committee are doing the following. The Church Officer's House is being prepared for sale and it should be on the market in February or March. The heating in Hall 3 and the Church Office will be repaired, with work starting on the 23rd February. This will involve a domestic boiler being installed in the kitchen (near Halls 2 & 3) with new radiators in the kitchen and hallway. The boiler will also supply instant hot water in the kitchen. It is hoped to improve the lighting in Hall 3 using fittings of a similar type to those which would be used later in the church. Hall 3 will be redecorated.

The Shaping the Future project will be going out to tender in February/March and costing will be sought for the following. Final instructions for work will **not** be given until costs are clarified and funding is in place.

- Creation of a ramped access from Lanark Road to both the church and halls' entrances.
- Changing the wooden church doors to open outwards and the inclusion of internal sliding glass doors with a 'heat curtain' (providing warm air on entry as in some shop entrances).
- Creation of an accessible toilet in the current church vestibule cloakroom.
- Creation of an alcove and window in the wall behind the current hymnbook bookcase in the vestibule.
- In the sanctuary.
 1. Removal of the pews and replacing them with chairs, levelling the floor and installation of underfloor heating.
 2. Upgrading the lighting.
 3. Re-siting the bookcase from the vestibule to the back, east corner.
 4. Installing a 'Kitchen in a Cupboard' in the back, west corner to allow tea/coffee to be served easily in the sanctuary.
- From the external ramped access, installation of a new wider door at the west side entrance to the halls.
- Refurbishment of the current toilets outside Halls 1 & 2.
- In Hall 1.
 1. New double glazed windows.
 2. Easy access under-stage storage.
 3. Improved lighting.
- Behind Hall 1.
 1. Change the rear entrance to the hall to be through the current fire door.
 2. Block up the current door and create a storage area.
 3. Convert the current waiting/sitting area and toilet into a large kitchen and an accessible toilet (accessed from the corridor).
 4. Convert the current kitchen into the waiting/sitting room.
 5. Convert the current toilet at the west end of the back corridor into a storage space.
- In Hall 2.
 1. New heating.
 2. Improved lighting.
- Painting throughout all of these areas.