

NEWSLETTER

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The Friends of St Ruan and St Grade Historic Church Buildings Registered Charity No. 1164632

GRADE CHURCH RESTORATION UPDATE

A contractor has been selected after a comprehensive tender process. They are Gloweth Ltd and have undertaken similar work locally including restoration works to St Keverne Church. Gloweth Ltd is a family firm with over 50 years experience of high quality building and joinery services based in Truro. We are very grateful to have them on board. If works commence in 2022 then the costs for the whole project are expected to be just over £303,000 plus VAT. There are however grants available to cover the VAT when the time comes.

A STEP AT A TIME Just over £30,000 raised so far!

We are very pleased with what has been raised/pledged but we still have a very long way to go. We are most grateful to all our members who have supported us with donations and encouragement. We have now decided to prioritise our fund raising targets and the work in order to safeguard the church as soon as possible.

The first step is to raise £100,000 which will cover the cost of replacing the roof of the church and ensure that the main building doesn't deteriorate further.

Grant providers generally require a significant percentage of funds to be raised before they will consider making an award. Whilst this is understandable it means significant delays in approaching funders for this very unique coastal church.

Overleaf is a table illustrating our phased approach and how grant providers funding is structured. We. have already raised over £30,000 which is 30% of £100,000. If we separate our work into phases, concentrating on the roof first, then we are in a position to apply to those requiring 30% of the target. We are also only £20,000 away from being able to approach the larger number of grant providers who require 50% of the funding in place first.

£30,197.00 Money Raised to Date Including Pledged Grants

Restoration Works - Milestones

£100,000

£200,000

£300,000

Scaffold access around the whole church including full scaffold cover to the tower.

Strip the existing roof covering and all the lead work to the main church

Re-roof the church and

replace the lead work

Install gutters, down pipes and new soak aways to the church

Rake out the mortar joints across the external elevations of the church and tower

Re-point the church and the tower.

Internal plastering and decoration works







Finance and Grant - Milestones

£100,000

£150,000

£300,000

30% OF TARGET

Grant providers requiring 30% of the funds to have already been raised will now consider making an award.

50% OF TARGET

Grant providers requiring 50% of the funds to have already been raised will now consider making an award.

100% OF TARGET

Grant providers requiring 100% of the funds to have already been raised will now consider making an award, and we would now be in a position to also approach funders who require the work to be completed within 12 months.

"One may walk over the highest mountain one step at a time"

Join the Friends and Help Save Our Two Historic churches.

Membership of the Friends is a vital way of supporting and promoting our fundraising work.

Our members have helped us to replace the gates at St Grade. They have funded the refurbishment of the floor and redecoration of St Ruan. Now we have raised £30,000 towards the St Grade Restoration Appeal the roof target being £100,000.

Annual Membership starts at £10 for an individual.

There are other options £15 joint membership, £25 for a family or £250 one off life subscription.

Members will receive regular newsletters and be invited to fundraising events, should they so wish.

Please see the Subscription form overleaf. For all existing members if you wish to pay the annual fee by Standing Order we can let you have the necessary form. .

NEW PRODUCTS FOR SALE

Striking Postcard depicting St Grade Church. |Size: A6 210mm x 148mm 148mm x 105mm standard postcard size) For the perfect Gift or message! Sold in packs of 10 for £7.00 including postage and packaging





These beautiful greetings cards are available on our website at

https://www.friendsofstruanandstgrade.co.uk
They are produced from a painting by
Frances Johns and depict St Grade Church.
Size: 125mm x 175mm (4.7/8" x 6.7/8" inches)
Blank inside for your own message.
Sold in packs of 3 - only £10.00
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Registered Charity No. 1164632

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Our website accepts membership payments by PayPal: www.friendsofstruanandstgrade.co.uk
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