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Grants Sub-Committee Spring 2022

Spring Update

Hundreds of volunteers put a huge effort into September's Ride and Stride which is our biggest fund-raising event of the year.

We aim to pay our essential running costs out of the membership fees so that ALL the money you raise for us through Ride & Stride can be spent on grants to churches.

Applications submitted to our February meeting show things are getting back to normal and we were able to offer a grant to 5 churches to help with repairs and improvements.

To all of you who organise and take part in events like Ride & Stride we say without you we could not do what we do, so please keep up the good work and...

thank you

Corinne Bennett Memorial Award

Corinne Bennett was one of our founding Trustees who had a special interest in stonework. This award of £500 is given annually to a church which received a grant from us for stonework repairs completed in the previous year.



2021 Winner - St Simon & St Jude, Bramdean

A list of churches completing works in 2021 was considered and the winner will soon be hearing from our chairman who will present the award at our AGM on Tuesday 24 May.

Grants offered in February

All Saints Church
Upper Clatford

Grade II* listed twelfth century parish church in need of a new roof.
Grant offered £4,000

Baptist Church
Winchester

Re-ordering interior to improve use of space and install accessible WC.
Grant offered £4,000

All Saints Church
Fleet

Grade II* listed church repaired after arson attack, needs new AV system for full visibility from all seating areas.
Grant offered £2,500

All Saints Church
Braishfield

Grade II listed church needing restoration of tower clock, weathervane, and new lightning conductor.
Grant offered £5,000.

Grants Offered
in FebruarySt Lawrence's Church
St Lawrence, (Isle of Wight)

Grade II* listed church needing repairs to part of the roof to make it water-tight.
Grant offered £1,000.

Annual General Meeting

A reminder to Friends and volunteers that our **AGM** this year will be held on

Tuesday 24 May

in Winchester Cathedral.

Please read our February Newsletter for further details of this and other events.

Grants Sub-Committee
How it Works

Committee members have a wide range of knowledge and experience. Our team includes clergy, insurers, and architects with historic buildings and conservation expertise. All are volunteers. We meet 3 times a year and award about a third of available funds at each meeting, aiming to spend all the money by the end of the year.

If you have any questions, please contact the secretary at;

grants@hihct.org.uk

Next Time

We look forward to sharing more news of churches both starting and completing works.

Meanwhile, we are looking for volunteers to be **Area Co-ordinators**. If you think you might be interested, please contact Chris Balchin for more information at;

rideandstride@hihct.org.uk