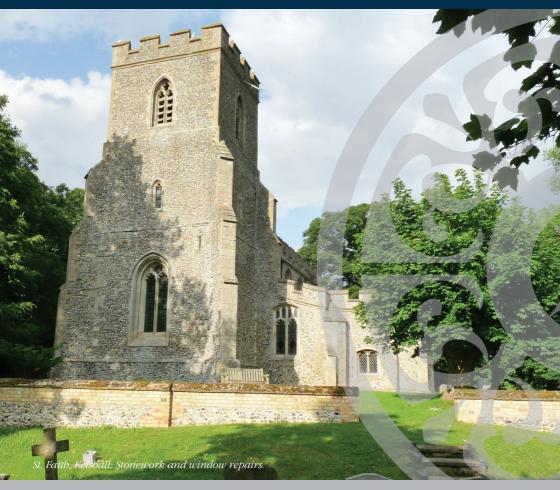


# BEDS & HERTS Historic Churches Trust

REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

Saving the Past for the Future



# AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

#### The Trust aims to:

- assist those responsible for the care of places used for public worship in the two counties which belong to a Christian religious body;
- make funds available for the restoration, maintenance, preservation, repair and reconstruction of churches and chapels.

### Accordingly, it seeks to:

- maintain a large, supportive membership whose annual committed income from subscriptions and donations will give a firm basis upon which to conduct its affairs;
- foster an informed appreciation of the history, architecture and beauty of the churches and chapels in the two counties and so provide a way for the wider community to help to maintain that irreplaceable heritage;
- raise substantial amounts of money, primarily through the annual Sponsored Bike 'n Hike, an event promoted by The National Churches Trust and supported by other County Trusts;
- co-operate with other bodies making funds available for the purposes set out above.



St. Mary, Cardington: Floor and masonry repairs



All Saints, Sutton: Electrical repairs

#### THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



The year under review has been one of frustrations, disappointments and difficulties. Civic regulations forced us, like so many charities, to cancel most of our planned activities for 2020, only to find that our hopes to run them instead in 2021 were also dashed. Study meetings, tours and social activities help to build relationships and encourage co-operation among supporters, vital features in maintaining the work of any Trust, and our plans for the coming year must begin to remedy that lack, when we can gather again in groups legally and safely.

But the Trust certainly has not been inactive. Our primary purpose is to provide funds to assist the work of maintaining, repairing and restoring the churches of Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire – and that, I am pleased to say, we have continued to do despite the restrictions and

difficulties of the past twelve months. We have met around socially-distanced tables, on "zoom", and by exchange of e-mails, and during those meetings have awarded grants to some 23 churches, totalling just over £160,000 from the Trust funds and from the money we administer on behalf of the Wixamtree Trust, and the Allchurches Trust which helps to fund the provision of roof alarms. We have certainly not been idle, and we are profoundly grateful to those organizations for the confidence placed in us by allowing us to make grants in their names to the churches who apply to us for help.

Fund-raising has been a problem for all charities over the past year. This has certainly impeded the development of our own Endowment Campaign, but we are grateful to all those supporters who pledged regular donations to this appeal and whose gifts have continued regularly over the year. The renewed programme will receive a kick-start with our on-line Auction of Goods and Promises hosted by Sworders Auctioneers (www.sworder.co.uk) at the end of June and the beginning of July. Visiting their website in mid-June will give a taster of what is on offer, and the full catalogue will be available from 25 June – bidding will start to close at 6.00pm on Sunday, 4 July.

The main source of our own funds for awarding grants is the annual Bike 'n Hike event in September. Several other County Trusts cancelled their 2020 event, but we were determined to find a way which conformed to the Covid restrictions, and we were delighted that the result far exceeded our expectations. I want to thank all who hiked, biked or used other forms of transport, as well as everyone who supported their efforts by sponsorship. Participants were unable to see inside most of the churches they visited, and they had to carry their own refreshments with them and make their own arrangements for "comfort stops". As you will see from the Bike 'n Hike Report, we raised our highest total ever for this event \$112,809. Of this sum, \$48½k was returned to participants' own churches (our regular practice to encourage both participants and their sponsors), giving just over \$64k for grants in the coming year for churches in our two counties.

Almost at the end of the year, we received the resignation of our hard-working Treasurer, David Mowbray, on the grounds of ill-health, and on behalf of the Trustees all our supporters I would place on record our gratitude to him for steering our financial activities gently but firmly over the past few years, and to assure him of our good wishes for a speedy and full recovery.

MALCOLM E. GRANT (Chairman of the Trustees)



St. Lawrence, Abbots Langley: Fabric repairs



All Saints, Odell: External stonework repairs



St. Mary, Pirton: Tower masonry repairs



St. Michael, Bishop's Stortford: Belltower access



St. Mary Magdalene, Melchbourne: Tower repairs



St. Paul, Bedford: Burst water main

#### THE JUBILEE ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN



In May's edition of 'Trust News' you will have seen my fairly detailed report on how the Campaign is going. As I said there, active campaigning necessarily ceased from March 2020 to the first half of 2021. However, Trustees, and the Campaign Board are determined that the Campaign should recommence with renewed vigour. The Endowment already stands at about £1.8 million (not yet all received in cash) so we have 'only' another £1.2 million to get.

The first event after 'restart' will be the Auction of Goods and Promises to be held on-line at the end of June and finishing on 4th July. Sworders Auctioneers have very kindly provided the on-line platform to enable this virtual auction to take place, including access to their entire international mailing list and recipients of their on-line catalogues. I am most

grateful to Sworders for offering, in such a public-spirited way, to do this for us free of charge. Especial thanks go to Claire Hayter at Sworders for masterminding this operation.

I am also most grateful to all those who have generously offered goods or promises to go into the auction. Some of the offers are highly prestigious and privileged. I should also like to thank those who have sought out and secured offers – and to thank those who have made the offers so generously. In particular, I should like to thank Brian Woodrow, a member of the Campaign Board, for his tireless work in Bedfordshire to get some excellent Lots.

As I write this, I have no idea of what sum we may raise from this event. I urge you to log on to Sworders' web-site where from mid-June you will be able to see our to our Auction's 'catalogue'. And I hope also that you will wish to bid for some of the remarkable Lots.

#### Richard Genochio, Chairman, Campaign Board

PS. Of course, if any of you would like to make a direct gift or legacy to the Endowment Campaign, you have only to call me on 01763 287 549 – or contact me at Richardgenochio@gmail.com



Baldock Methodist Church: External repairs



St. Mary, Clophill: Roof and gutter repairs

#### GRANTS SECRETARY'S REPORT



The past year has been like no other. However, despite the constraints of Covid, we were determined to remain open for business as it was clear from our records that there was work to churches that could not be put aside. In the end, we made a total of 23 awards plus 8 roof alarm grants.

A few changes were made to the application process because we were unable to ask Area Members to undertake the usual post-application visit. That visit would normally draw in a wealth of additional information to help Trustees to make an appropriate level of grant. Trustees greatly missed Area Members' much-valued contributions but nonetheless sufficient data was gathered to enable assessment of the applications.

During the year, Allchurches Trust Ltd. allocated £55,000 to BHHCT for roof alarm grants and we have been working with the Diocese to encourage churches at risk of lead theft to install a roof alarm. Should the worst happen, with an approved alarm, 100% cover is assured. Otherwise, the insurance payout is capped at a few thousand pounds when the cost of replacing the roof could well reach six figures.

During the summer months we had a number of 'emergencies' to deal with, issues that required immediate attention. A roof at risk, urgent stonework repairs, a burst water main under the nave and the top of a tower severely damaged by buddleia.

In all a different and demanding year but we were able to keep going. The challenge met but normality cannot come soon enough.

#### **Archie Russell, Grants Secretary**



St. Peter Arkley: Heating repairs



St. Owen, Brombam: North side extension

## **DECISIONS ON AWARDS MADE IN 2020/21**

AREA	CHURCH/CHAPEL	TOTAL (£)	SUMMARY OF WORKS
Abbots Langley	St. Lawrence	5,000	Fabric repairs
Arkley	St. Peter	5,000	Heating repairs
Baldock	Methodist Church	5,000	External repairs
Bedford	St. Paul	1,000	Burst water main
Bedford, Queens Pk	All Saints	8,000	Roof repairs
Bishop's Stortford	St. Michael	5,000	Belltower access
Bromham.	St. Owen	10,000	North church extension
Cardington	St. Mary	6,000	Floor and masonry repairs
Clophill	St. Mary the Virgin	10,000	Roof and RWG repairs
Dunstable	Priory Church	10,000	Roof repairs
Dunton	St. Mary Magdalene	3,000	Tower stonework repairs
Great Amwell	St. John the Baptist	7,000	External stonework repairs
Hertford	Society of Friends	5,000	External brickwork repairs
Houghton Conquest	All Saints	10,000	Roof finish replacement
Kelshall	St. Faith	7,000	Stonework and window repairs
Melchbourne	St. Mary Magdalene	10,000	Repairs to tower
Odell	All Saints	5,000	External stonework repairs
Pirton	St. Mary the Virgin	4,000	Masonry repairs to tower
Ridge	St. Margaret	4,000	QI works
Rye Park	St. Cuthbert	2,000	Heating repairs
Shillington	All Saints	7,000	Fabric repairs
Stevington	St. Mary	10,000	Tower stonework
Sutton	All Saints	2,000	Electrical repairs
8 Churches	Grants to £2,500	19,500	Installation of Roof Alarms
Total Grants Awarded		£160,500	

Total Grants Awarded	
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Awards were made from the following funds: Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust £50,000 Wixamtree Trust £95,000 Allchurches Trust Limited £15,500



Dunstable Priory Church: Roof repairs



St. Mary Magdalene, Melchbourne: Tower Repairs

#### STATEMENT ON THE ACCOUNTS

The summarised Accounts on page 9 have been prepared for this Report, and will be approved by the Trustees at their meeting in September. We are grateful to our Independent Examiner, Mercer &Hole, for their assistance in this, as the Treasurer, David Mowbray, had to pass the work on due to ill health. Any further enquiries on the detail to be found in the summarised Accounts should be addressed to the Secretary, William Marsterson, 64 Blanche Lane, South Mimms, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 3PD.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

The Rev. Canon M. Grant. - Chairman

W.A.J.Marsterson - Honorary Secretary

# THE BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities', Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 102) and Update Bulletin 1.

The full accounts will be filed with the Charity Commission.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.



St. Mary, Pirton: Tower masonry repairs



St. Mary, Cardington: Floor and masonry repairs

# **BALANCE SHEET**

Long Term Assets:	General Funds &	Designated Funds &	Restricted Funds &	Endowment Funds &	2021 Total Funds &	2020 Total Funds
Investments	-	-	-	51,750	51,750	52,142
Total Long Term Assets	-	-	-	51,750	51,750	52,142
Current Assets:						
Debtors & prepayments	14,952	-	-	-	14,952	14.526
Interfund debtors	-	36,074	-	19,898	55,972	55,972
Cash at bank and						
on short term deposit	225,636	2,302	146,000	158,820	532,756	437,554
Total Current Assets	240,588	38,376	146,000	178,718	603,681	508,052
Current Liabilities:						
Creditors & accruals	3,595	-	-	-	3,595	3,954
Grants payable	31,500	10,000	98,500	-	140,000	138,000
Interfund creditors Total Current Liabilities	55,972 91,067	10,000	98,500	-	55,972 199,567	55,972 197,926
Net Current Assets	149,521	28,376	47,500	178,718	404,115	310,126
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Total Net Assets	149,521	28,376	47,500	230,468	455,865	362,268
Represented by:						
Unrestricted - General	149,521	-	-	-	149,521	135,016
Designated - Legacies	-	28,376	-	-	28,376	38,376
Restricted - Wixamtree	-	-	8,000	-	8,000	6,500
Restricted - Allchurches	-	-	39,500	-	39,500	33,000
Endowment - Wixamtree	-	-	-	188,731	173,731	163,531
Endowment - Jubilee	-	-	-	41,737	5,574	(14,155)
Total Charity Funds	149,521	28,376	47,500	230,468	455,865	362,268

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2021 Total Funds	2020 Total Funds
Income:	£	£	£	£	£
Income from generated funds -					
Income from other trading activities	95,415	-	-	95,415	81,693
Donations and legacies	39,433	-	36,163	75,596	59,134
Investment income	2,038	-	-	2,038	3,863
Income from charitable activities	5,000	145,000	15,000	165,000	100,000
Other income	137	-	-	137	2,033
Total income and endowments	142,023	145,000	51,163	338,186	242,860
Expenditure:					
Cost of raising funds -					
Fundraising costs	4,561	-	-	4,561	10,866
Charitable activities	0	-	-	0	509
Grants awarded to churches	49,000	110,500	-	159,500	252,000
Share of Bike'n Hike paid to churches	45,265	-	-	45,265	40,160
Other expenditure	9,396	-	-	9,396	22,853
Total expenditure	108,222	110,500	-	218,722	325,879
Net gains/(losses) on investments	-591	-	0	-591	200
Net income/(expenditure)	33,210	34,500	51,163	118,873	(25,276)
Net movement in funds	33,210	34,500	51,163	118,873	(25,276)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	144,687	13,000	179,305	336,992	299,173
Total funds carried forward	177,897	47,500	230,468	455,865	362,268

#### THE BIKE 'N HIKE:



For an event that nearly didn't take place – what a wonderful result! Thank you so much to everyone who helped in any way to reach that total of £112,809.

The decision to go ahead was not taken until the middle of June and taken on the basis that 'Well, if we raise £20,000 it will be worth it!' Some fast work was needed to get documents printed and circulated and for our church/chapel organisers to make appropriate arrangements locally and, most importantly, enthuse people to take part.

The Bike 'n Hike was, of course, an opportunity for churches to raise some funding when so many other things had had to be cancelled. It was also chance to be out in the fresh air getting some exercise – something that the Government was enthusing us all to do and most of us didn't need much encouragement to get out of the house. We were then blessed with a lovely day.

We award certificates to major fundraisers and 2020 saw the largest number of gold certificates ever – nine churches raised over £2,000. Many thanks to St. Mary, Northchurch; St. Andrew, Much Hadham; All Saints, Hockerill; St. Mary, Reed; St. Faith, Kelshall; St. Mary the Virgin, Welwyn; St. Paul, Bedford; St. Leonard, Old Warden and a special thanks to St. Nicholas, Harpenden, for raising over £4,000. 31 churches gained silver certificates for over £1,000 and 39 churches, bronze for over £500.

As ever, I need people to join the team of Area Organisers, who link with the individual churches. It is not too arduous a task – what is involved is explained on the Trust's website. Have a look and if you would like to help, please contact me through Bikenhike@bedshertshct.org.uk.

On a sad note, we have recently lost a Bike 'n Hike stalwart, our Documents Manager Ken Shrimpton. He is very much missed – he made such a great contribution not only with updating and printing all our material but also running the event website.

There will be a Bike 'n Hike in 2021 – Saturday, 11th September. As I write this, we are expecting the event to be run in a similar way to last year to ensure everyone's safety whatever the Covid situation.

#### Madeline Russell, Trustee Bike 'n Hike

# THE SPONSORED BIKE 'N HIKE, 2020 FINAL RESULTS BY AREA

COUNTY & AREA	Area Total	Largest church total in Area	
Bedfordshire	(including	tax reclaimable through Gift Aid)	
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Ampthill	£10,846.93	St. John the Baptist, Flitton	£1,832
Bedford	£8,736.50	All Saints, Bedford	£1,935
Biggleswade	£4,655.00	St. Leonard, Old Warden	£2,069
Dunstable	£4,580.75	All Saints, Leighton Buzzard	£1,204
Elstow	£372.00	Bunyan Christian Fellowship	£372
Luton	£643.00	St. Margaret, Streatley	£380
Sharnbrook	£4,111.75	St. Mary, Stevington	£1,202
Shefford	£4,983.74	St. Mary the Virgin, Meppershall	£1,401
Sub-total Bedfordshire	£38,929.67		
Hertfordshire			
Ashwell/Stevenage	£6,197.50	St. Mary, Ashwell	£1,245
Barnet	£3,692.50	St. Giles, South Mymms	£1,647
Berkhamsted	£7,080.25	St. Mary, Northchurch	£2,228
Bishop's Stortford	£7,106.75	All Saints, Hockerill	£2,982
Buntingford	£11,386.08	St. Mary, Reed	£2,454
Cheshunt	£2,610.86	St. Augustine, Broxbourne	£1,450
Harpenden/Wheathampstead	£6,995.00	St. Nicholas, Harpenden	£4,101
Hemel Hempstead	£1,873.25	St. Mary, Apsley End	£1,237
Hertford & Ware	£9,725.26	All Saints, Little Munden	£1,810
Hitchin	£3,438.25	All Saints, Willian	£1,110
Rickmansworth	N/A		
St. Albans & Aldenham	£1,743.75	Marlborough Rd, Methodist Ch.	£593
Watford & Bushey	£1,921.39	St. James, Bushey	£541
Welwyn/Hatfield	£7,309.51	St. Mary, Welwyn	£2,058
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Sub-total Hertfordshire	£71,080.35		
Donations etc.	£2,798.75		
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GRAND TOTAL	£112,808.77		

#### Notes:

- (1) The estimates of tax reclaimable under Gift Aid in 2020 are as claimed and paid.
- (2) Like most other county trusts, the Beds & Herts HCT undertakes the claiming of the Gift Aid, and uses all the money so received to fund grants to churches in need of repair.
- (3) Rickmansworth Area unfortunately could not be included again this year, for want of an Area Organiser.

#### CORPORATE MEMBERS OF THE TRUST

The Trust places much importance on the growth in the number of corporate members. For a few years now it has been a condition of grant that applicant churches be members. We also strongly appreciate the membership and commitment of non-applicant churches.

The number of Corporate Members has increased from 258 to 260, including a number of Non-conformist churches. However some churches appear to have let their membership lapse: please contact Jim May, if you wish to be reinstated. There are 375 Personal Members: last year there were 383. It is clear that individual and family membership numbers are falling. It would be good if existing members could encourage their friends to join.

There are over 600 churches and chapels in our two counties, so we have a long way to go. It would be very pleasing if all churches which are not Corporate Members were to become so – for a modest subscription of \$40 p.a. If your church or chapel is not a member, please encourage those responsible to apply to Jim May, who has responsibility for Membership and the database. If you believe it should have been included on the list, please notify him directly.

## **Current Corporate Members:**

Broxbourne, St. Augustine

Abbots Langley, St. Lawrence Ampthill, St. Andrew Anstey, S. George Ardeley, St. Lawrence Arkley, St. Peter Arlesey, St. Peter Ashwell United Reformed Church Ashwell, St. Mary the Virgin Aspenden, St. Mary Aspley Guise, St. Botolph Aston, St. Mary Ayot St. Lawrence, St. Lawrence Ayot St. Peter, St. Peter Baldock, St. Mary the Virgin Baldock Methodist Church Barkway, St. Mary Magdalene Barley, St. Margaret of Antioch Barnet Vale, St. Mark Bayford, St. Mary Bedford, All Saints Bedford, Bunyan Meeting Bedford, Christ Chuch Bedford Pentecostal Church Bedford, Priory Methodist Church Bedford, Rutland Road Free Church Bedford, St. Mark Bedford, St. Michael and All Angels Bedford, St. Paul Bedford, St. Peter and St. Cuthbert Bengeo, Holy Trinity Bengeo, St. Leonard Benington, St. Peter Biggleswade, St. Andrew Biggleswade, Trinity Methodist Ch Bishop's Stortford, Holy Trinity Bishop's Stortford, St. Michael Bletsoe, St. Mary Blunham Providence Baptist Church Blunham, St. Edmund or St. James Bolnhurst, St. Dunstan Boxmoor SS Mary & Joseph RC Ch Braughing, St. Mary the Virgin

Brent Pelham, St. Mary the Virgin

Bromham, St. Owen

Caddington, All Saints Caldecote, All Saints Campton, All Saints Cardington, Howard Memorial Ch Carlton, St. Mary the Virgin Chalgrave, All Saints Cheshunt, St. Mary the Virgin Chipping Barnet, St. John the Baptist Clapham, St. Thomas à Becket /Cant Clifton, All Saints Clophill Methodist Church Clophill, St. Mary the Virgin Clothall, St. Mary the Virgin Cockayne Hatley, St. John the Baptist Codicote, St. Giles Colmworth, St. Denys Cople, All Saints Cottered, St. John the Baptist Cranfield, St. Peter and St. Paul Croxley Green Methodist Church Cuffley, St. Andrew Dean, All Hallows Dunstable, Priory Church of St. Peter Dunstable, St. Fremund the Martyr Dunstable, St. Mary Dunstable, The Square Methodist Ch Dunton, St. Mary Magdalene Eaton Bray, St. Mary the Virgin Eaton Socon, St. Mary Egginton, St. Michael Elstow Bunyan Christian Fellowship Essendon, St. Mary the Virgin Eversholt, St. John the Baptist Everton, St. Mary Felmersham, St. Mary Flamstead, St. Leonard Flitton, St. John the Baptist Flitwick, St. Peter and St. Paul Frogmore, Holy Trinity Furneaux Pelham, St. Mary the Virgin Goldington, St. Mary the Virgin Graveley, St. Mary Great Amwell, St. John the Baptist

Great Berkhamsted, St. Peter Great Gaddesden, St. John the Baptist Great Hormead, St. Nicholas Great Wymondley, St. Mary the Virgin Haldens, Christ The King Harlington, St. Mary the Virgin Harpenden, St. John the Baptist Harrold URC Harrold, St. Peter and All Saints Hatfield, St. Etheldreda Hatfield Hyde, St. Mary Magdalene Havnes Methodist Church Haynes, St. Mary Heath and Reach, St. Leonard Hemel Hempstead, St. Alban Hemel Hempstead, St. Mary Henlow, St. Mary Hertford Quaker Meeting Hertford, All Saints Hertford, St. Andrew Hertingfordbury, St. Mary Hexton, St. Faith Hinxworth, St. Nicholas Hitchin, Holy Saviour Hitchin, Walsworth Road Baptist Church Hockerill, All Saints Hockliffe, St. Nicholas Holwell, St. Peter Houghton Conquest, All Saints Houghton Regis, All Saints Ickleford, St. Katharine Kelshall, St. Faith Kempston East Methodist Church Kempston West Methodist Church Kempston, Church of the Transfiguration Kensworth Methodist Church Keysoe, St. Mary the Virgin King's Walden, St. Mary Knebworth, St. Mary/St. Thomas /Cant'y Langford, St. Andrew Leagrave, St. Luke Leavesden, All Saints Leighton Buzzard, All Saints

Letchworth, St. Michael

Letchworth, St. Paul Lilley, St. Peter Limbury Baptist Church Limbury, St. Augustine of Canterbury Linslade, St. Barnabas Little Berkhamsted, St. Andrew Little Hadham, St. Cecilia Little Munden, All Saints Little Staughton, All Saints London Colney, St. Peter Luton High Town Methodist Church Luton, Ramridge Baptist Church Luton, St. Anne Luton, St. Mary Luton St. Matthew Markyate Baptist Church Markyate Street, St. John the Baptist Marston Morteyne, St. Mary the Virgin Maulden Baptist Chapel Maulden, St. Mary Meesden, St. Mary Melchbourne, St. Mary Magdalene Meppershall, St. Mary the Virgin Milton Bryan, St. Peter Much Hadham, St. Andrew Newnham, St. Vincent North Mymms, St. Mary Northaw, St. Thomas á Becket Northchurch, St. Mary Norton, St. Nicholas Oakley, St. Mary Odell, All Saints Offley, St. Mary Magdalene Old Warden, St. Leonard Pavenham, St. Peter Pertenhall, St. Peter Pirton Methodist Church Pirton, St. Mary Potters Bar, King Charles the Martyr Potters Bar, St. Mary the Virgin/All S'ts Potton, St. Mary the Virgin Preston, St. Martin Puttenham, St. Mary Reed, St. Mary

Redbourn, St. Mary Renhold Baptist Chapel Ridge, St. Margaret Ridgmont, All Saints Riseley, All Saints Roxton Congregational Church Rushden, St. Mary Sacombe, St. Catherine Salford, St. Mary Sandon, All Saints Sandridge, St. Leonard Sandy Baptist Church Sandy, St. Swithun Sawbridgeworth, Great St. Mary Sharnbrook, St. Peter Shefford Methodist Church Shefford, St. Michael and All Angels Shelton, St. Mary Shenley Methodist Church South Mymms, St. Giles Southill, All Saints St. Albans, St. Julian St. Albans, Marlborough Rd Methodist St. Albans, St. Saviour St. Albans, St. Stephen St. Ippolyts, St. Ippolyts St. Paul's Walden, All Saints Stagsden, St. Leonard Stanbridge, St. John the Baptist Standon, St. Mary Stanstead St. Margaret's, St. Mary/Virgin Steppingley, St. Lawrence Stevenage, Shephall, St. Mary Stevenage, St. Nicholas Stevington, St. Mary the Virgin Stewarthy United Church Stondon, All Saints Stopsley, St. Thomas Stotfold, St. Mary the Virgin Studham, St. Mary the Virgin Sutton, All Saints Swineshead, St. Nicholas Tewin, St. Peter Therfield, St. Mary the Virgin

Thundridge, St. Mary Tingrith, St. Nicholas Toddington, St. George of England Totteridge, St. Andrew Totternhoe, St. Giles Tring, Akeman Street Baptist Church Tring, New Mill Baptist Church Tring Team Ministry Turvey, All Saints Upper Caldecote Methodist Church Walkern & Sandon URC Walkern, St. Mary the Virgin Wallington, St. Mary Ware, Leaside Church Ware, Christ Church Watford, Holy Rood Watford Quaker Meeting Watford, St. Andrew Watford, St. Michael and All Angels Watford, St. Peter Watton-at-Stone, St. Andrew & St. Mary Westmill, St. Mary the Virgin Weston, Holy Trinity Westoning, St. Mary Magdalene Wheathampstead URC Wheathampstead, St. Helen Whipsnade, St. Mary Magdalene Widford, St. John the Baptist Wigginton, St. Bartholomew Wilden, St. Nicholas Willian, All Saints Willington Methodist Church Willington, St. Lawrence Wilshamstead, All Saints Wilstone, St. Cross Woburn Sands, St. Michael Woolmer Green, St. Michael Wootton, St. Mary the Virgin Wrestlingworth, St. Peter Wymington, St. Lawrence Yelden, St. Mary



St. Margaret, Ridge: QI works

# THE BEDFORDSHIRE AND HERTFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

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St. Lawrence, Abbots Langley: Fabric repairs



Bike Ride at Roxton URC



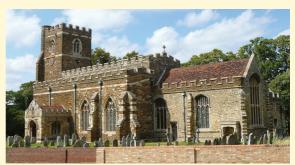
Hertford Quaker Meeting House: External repairs



Bishop Richard and the Grants Secretary on the Bike Ride



St. Mary Magdalene, Dunton: Tower repairs



All Saints, Houghton Conquest: Roof repairs



St. Margaret, Ridge: QI works



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