

St. Lawrence Church, Long Buckby
2018 Churchwarden's Report

This report covers the year 2017 and the Terrier and Inventories were checked and updated on 16th February 2018.

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The following received an annual service :-

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| a) Fire Extinguishers | d) Schoolroom Fire Alarm |
| b) Gas Boiler | e) Schoolroom Emergency Lighting |
| c) Tower Clock | f) Organ |
| g) Roof Alarm | h) Sound desk and projector |

The Schoolroom call points and Fire Alarm were tested on a regular basis.

In addition:-

1. routine maintenance and repairs were carried throughout the year.
2. a faculty was obtained for the renovation of the footpath style in the north west corner of the churchyard.
3. permission was granted to erect a War Commisions Grave sign in the churchyard.
4. mice were attacking the organ, so traps were set and 4 mice caught.
5. a faculty was requested for repair to a vandalised west window.
6. leaks in the roof continue to be a problem, but there is no obvious cause. If the leaks continue to worse we may have to undertake a major repair.
7. in October the DAC were invited to visit the church and schoolrooms to give their thoughts on any proposals we may wish to make on reordering. In particular we discussed the possibility of installing a toilet, making a basic kitchen within the church and also provide a more flexible area by removing some pews.
8. the roof alarm was not activated at all in 2017.

Special Events

In addition to the normal services we facilitated and provided Risk Assessments for various special events, including concerts, the Art Exhibition and the Christmas Tree Festival.

Many thanks for your support.

On behalf of our church family we would like to thank all those who give their time and talents so freely to the service of St. Lawrence and its people. Those who participate in services, fill rotas, provide music and all the supporting activities throughout the year, as we strive to bring Jesus into everything we do and everywhere we are.

Helen and Richard
April 2018