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Broomfield Church Repair & Conservation Update:

'So close, but not quite there. Can you be the difference?'

Some of you will be aware the previous perilous condition of the upper sections of the tower have recently been completed though perhaps you aren't aware some 'emergency' electrical jobs in the tower ringing chamber have also now been completed. Inevitably, this has depleted church funds, but for both health & safety reasons and to prevent further rapid deterioration, these works needed urgent attention. Much more work is now needed if the church is to remain functional. For those of you who have already donated, a massive 'THANK YOU'.

With help from members of the PCC and others, a grant application to Viridor Credits has been submitted to meet their October deadline. A decision is expected in January, though if approved, no money would be released until the minimum requirements in terms of the PCC's financial contributions towards the project are met. Specifically, the Broomfield PCC needs to find the Viridor fee of 10% of the grant value plus £5,000 towards the cost of the works, in total amounting to circa £8,500.

The works entail a major overhaul of the building and includes work to the outer walls, roof and windows; attention to storm-water fittings; interior and exterior woodwork repairs including temporarily taking out a section of the sinking ancient box-pews to enable rotten joists to be replaced and damp ingress prevented; plaster and decorative repairs and completing essential electrical work.

Viridor Credits criteria means that at the time of writing, **we are £3,500 short** of the minimum contribution target, although this does not include the VAT, which we may be able to reclaim, but has to be initially paid up front. If this sum can be raised urgently, the chances of a grant offer will be very much improved.

This beautiful Grade 1 Listed church building receives no financial support from government bodies or local authorities, so if you want to help to ensure it is there for future generations, ***please help.***

- **To Donate today please either: Make a BACS transfer to:
Account No. 05803497 - Sort Code 60-80-06**
- **Or contact The Broomfield PCC Treasurer John Earp on e-mail
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With many thanks for your consideration

Rev Mary Styles