Report on the Fabric of the Church and its Goods and Ornaments March 2021

The Churchwardens report that investigation of water ingress above the 3rd and 4th clerestory windows on the south side of the chancel has revealed multiple splits in the copper on the south side of the chancel roof. Flash-banding has been applied to give temporary protection. Expert advice has now been sought from two contractors and the church architect and there is agreement the roof will need to be replaced. This will be a major project which is likely to be undertaken in autumn this year. Cost estimates will be presented to the PCC for approval when available.

We have checked through all the items listed on the inventory and can assure the PCC that all items of value have been checked, are where they should be, and are in good condition.

Work on restoring the brass plaque which fell off the wall in the North Chapel was postponed due to COVID restrictions and will be resumed in 2021.

Additions to the inventory were three cameras, additional microphones and a digital sound system to enable livestreaming of services on Zoom and YouTube.

We are pleased to report therefore that the goods and ornaments of the church are in place and in general in good repair.

Denis Tindley and Gill Caswell, Churchwardens