GRANT AWARDING BODIES

There are many bodies that will award funding for church projects.

The Lottery Fund operates two main schemes and several charges in the diocese have been successful in getting grants from them.

For grants up to £10,000 try Awards For All Scotland.

(https://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/awardsforallscotland).

For larger grants apply to **The Heritage Lottery Fund**. (https://www.hlf.org.uk/). While there is no longer a funding programme solely for churches it has two programmes which will consider applications from places of worship:

Our Heritage (grants £10,000 - £100,000) is a simple, faster (applications assessed within eight weeks), one stage application process and is ideal for smaller projects looking to undertake more straight-forward repairs.

Heritage Grants (grants £100,000 - £5million) is a two stage application process but gives applicants the opportunity to secure funding for more ambitious projects and allows them to undertake a development phase to help shape their proposals.

There are a number of websites that will search for possible funding sources for you. One useful one, which is free, is **Funding Scotland**.

(http://fundingscotland.com/Account/MemberLoginRegister?ReturnUrl=%2F)

The booklet to be found at

http://www.cofesuffolk.org/uploads/Charitable_Grants_for_Churches_2016.pdf also gives a list of potential sources of funding.

The Diocese operates the Dunderdale Fund for the Endowment of Charges. This is a small grants fund and further details, including the application form, can be found on the diocesan website.

The Province has a Buildings Grants Fund which has replaced the Dunderdale Building Fund and M&D Fund. Applications, after scrutiny and approval by the diocese, will go to the Buildings Grants Group which will meet three times a year to consider them. The 2019 deadlines for submission to the Group are:

- Wednesday 2 May 2019
- Wednesday 4 September 2019

As the diocese needs to approve applications, completed forms should be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer at least three weeks before these dates.

Copies of the new application form and the guidance notes can be found **here**. (http://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/buildings/provincial-building-grants-and-loans/).

The Provincial website lists several useful sources of funding. Details can be found here. (http://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/buildings/sources-of-funding-for-repairs-and-improvements-to-church-buildings/)

Given below are some local Trusts.

The Mary Andrew Charitable Trust Mitchell Robertsons Solicitors George House 36 North Hannover Street, Glasgow G1 2AD

Tel: 0141 552 3422

The Bethseda Charitable Trust Fund 6 Albert Place Aberdeen AB25 1RG

Tel: 01224 626090

The GC Gibson Charitable Trust Deloitte and Touche Blenheim House Fitzalan Court Newport Road Cardiff CF24 0TS

Tel: 029 2048 1111

The Gough Charitable Trust Lloyds TSB Private Banking Ltd. UK Trust Centre 22-26 Ock Street Abingdon 0X14 5SW

The Tay Charitable Trust 6 Douglas Terrace Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 1EA

Finally, don't forget that you may be able to reclaim VAT on building projects if your church is a listed building, see the **Listed Places of Worship Scheme** (http://www.lpwscheme.org.uk/grant_scheme.html).

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