

In the financial year to date, we have allocated £1,935,300 towards major repair campaigns.

Projects which have completed since 02 December

St Andrew's, South Runcton, Norfolk: Practical completion was achieved on 19 December 2025. As per trustees instructions at the December meeting we have instructed Andrea Kirkham to uncover the ivy stencilling to the reredos. We are waiting for a start date for this work. Conservation of the lino decalogues will be undertaken at the same time.

St Mary of the Angels', Brownhill, Gloucestershire: Practical completion was achieved on 23 December 2025. Some items, such as limewashing the vestry render, are outstanding. These will be completed when the weather improves, and certainly before 31 March 2026.

St Deiniol's, Worthenbury, Wrexham: Practical completion was achieved on 17 January 2026 and the church has re-opened. However, several snagging items remain, including clearing contractor's materials from site. I am grateful to David who has been chasing Recclesia (contractor) and Tim Ratcliffe (architect), to bring this work to a conclusion.

St Michael's, Castlemartin, Pembrokeshire: Practical completion was achieved on 23 February 2026. Some carpentry repairs to the lychgate were unsatisfactory and I have instructed these to be remade.

Projects which are still onsite

St Mary's, Kenderchurch, Herefordshire: The persistent rain has slowed work here as the site has been extremely muddy, and ground works for drainage were severely hampered. Other than this, works have proceeded as planned to programme. The project is set to complete on 17 March 2026.

St Lawrence's, Gumfreston, Pembrokeshire: Owing to personal factors, our two conservators have not been able to be on site as fully as hoped. Works will now complete by mid-May at the latest. Other works – such as tree felling, mending the “baptistry” window, and other snagging items have proceeded.

Old St Matthew's, Lightcliffe, West Yorkshire: Progress at Lightcliffe has been hampered by the persistent inclement weather (particularly as the tower top is so exposed), poor quality stone being quarried, and three site break-ins. The stone repairs here are complex, but GPM have been making good progress, the cupola is being re-assembled with several areas of newly cut stonework are in place.

Currently, we are anticipating a nine week extension to the contract, taking completion to mid-May. As the scaffold is the most expensive item (£1850 +VAT pw), we are looking at how the programme can be adapted to take the external scaffold off hire as soon as possible.

St Denis's, East Hatley, Cambridgeshire: Repairs and renewal of east window tracery is underway. Once this has been completed, the glazier will be able to template the openings and adjust his designs accordingly.

St John the Baptist's, Allington, Wiltshire: Emergency re-roofing, as per David Farrington's report.

Projects under development for a 2026-27 start

These are as per cash-flows and budgets, so to avoid repetition, I am only listing items here:

- St Cadoc's, Llangattock Vibon Avel, Monmouthshire: anticipated start date April-May 2026
- St Andrew's, Wood Walton, Cambridgeshire: localised roof repairs and installation of glazing under the Cottam. Currently awaiting listed building consent. On site April- May 2026
- St Tyfi's, Llandyfeisant, Carmarthenshire: anticipated start date June/July 2026
- St Mark's, Brithdir, Gwynedd: anticipated start date October 2026 due to bats
- St Tyfrydog's, Llandyfrydog's, Gwynedd: anticipated start date October 2026 due to bats
- St Vigor's, Stratton on the Fosse, Somerset: anticipated start date October 2026 due to bats

- St Andrew's, Bayvil, Pembrokeshire: anticipated start date October 2026 due to bats

Projects under development for a 2027-28 start

- St Mary's, Sturmer, Essex
- Cote Baptist Chapel, Oxfordshire
- St Gredifael's, Penmynydd, Anglesey
- St Cewydd's, Disserth, Powys
- St Mary's, Mundon, Essex
- St Ellyw's, Llanelieu, Powys

And beyond...

- St Peter's, Marksbury, Somerset
- Any number of the churches under consideration in Wales or England