

LEICESTER CATHEDRAL REVEALED

13 October 2016

Thanks to all who were able to come to the Congregational Meeting after the service on Sunday 25th September, where David and I were able to share some of the thinking behind the plans date, explain the budget figures, and those present could ask questions and raise concerns. If you weren't able to make it, as ever I'm very happy to respond to any personal queries.

I also know a good number of regular congregational members were present on 29 September when we launched our Founding Supporters offer. This also included the first limited public showing of a fascinating timeline reconstruction of the buildings that have been St Martin's church down the centuries – back even to the possible Roman temple on the site from c210 AD. Its foundations and two pillar bases were unvoiced in Raphael Brandon's excavations when the current tower was erected in 1866. I'm hoping we will be able to make this available more widely before too long.

The archaeological investigations we've been hoping to carry out beneath the old song school will now be happening during November. This will inevitably involve a certain amount of disruption, but we will aim to keep it to a minimum. As it largely involves the 'back of house' area, we hope it shouldn't disrupt normal congregational life overmuch, although CHALK will relocate to St Martins House on those Sundays affected.

As ever,

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