



Gathering the Team

August is often seen as a quiet month with holidays – and indeed I will be away for a week, back on Monday 21st – but meanwhile we’re pressing on with gathering the team for the project Development phase. And by HLF rules, any contract over £10,000 has to be fully competitively tendered, even for people we’ve been working with for months or years, so that is a complex and time-consuming process – rightly so, as its partly public money we’ll be spending. But we’re now well on the way, and can confirm we have made appointments (subject to contract) in the following eight areas of consultancy: Access, Acoustics, AV, Conservation plan, fire engineering, Landscape architect, Mechanical & Electrical engineers, Structural and Civil engineers. We also expect to finalise Cost Consultants and Fundraising Consultants in the very near future.

We’ll also be adding to the In-House team. I’m delighted to be able to announce that from 1 September Colin Entwistle will be joining us in a voluntary capacity for two days a week in the role of Project Management Officer. As a long-term member of the congregation Colin will be well known to most of our regulars. He has recently retired from a career in project management, so will be very well-placed to help us keep an eye on those key factors of cost, programme and risk!

Annual Review 2016

Finally – look out for our Cathedral Annual Review 2016, just published. We’ve produced this as part of the Project, to help tell the story of what we’ve been up to, and point the way for the future, but will obviously be of interest to all of our regular congregation. Do take one!

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The completion of the major works of Raphael Brandon, and with the new Vaughan Porch in place

