

CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER – No 3

Well most of the weather this summer may have been grim and grey, but at Saint Peter's Church things have been "blooming marvellous". Hopefully the good weather is going to stay so, pour yourself a cup of tea and take a look at what's been happening since our last newsletter.



St Peter's Flower Festival – From A - Z

The 16th and 17th June saw the annual Flower Festival at St Peter's, which this year had an alphabetical theme. Our thanks go out to Keith and all his team who yet again produced a stunning display attracting visitors from across the benefice and beyond. Thanks are also due to Rita Chantrell and her catering team, and to all those who manned stalls, sold raffle tickets, or just supported the weekend. Thanks also go to all those that participated in, or supported the Saturday evening concert featuring local talent, including, for the first time, your very own church choir.

The whole weekend has raised a record-breaking **£3500** for the campaign – a real boost to our funds. **Pictures of the flower displays are now available on the campaign website.**

English Heritage/Heritage Lottery Fund.

After months of hard work, and quarts of midnight oil, we are delighted to announce that the bid for an English Heritage Repair Grant was finally submitted in time for this year's deadline of 30th June. Decisions will be announced at the end of December. Competition is fierce so keep your fingers crossed.

As of the 3rd July we are pleased to announce that the campaign total stands at **£46,743.51**. Special thanks go to all those involved in the Jubilee stalls and celebrations, totalling £419.29, to the **Raunds Methodist Brownies** for their kind donation of £200, to the **Wesley Guild** for their donation of £50.00, and to **Margaret and Eddy Rodman** who have raised £139.17 with their soft toy stalls. They are also making regular donations to the fund from the sale of their cards, which are still available from the back of the church, or from the Friday Coffee Mornings at the Enterprise Centre.

Campaign Patron – Important Announcement

Shena writes..." Sir David Frost; Celebrated for his clear sighted and pertinent communication of current affairs in this country and across the world has generously agreed to become Patron of our campaign. We are very grateful for this public demonstration of his support. Sir David is unable to attend the forthcoming public launch, however we look forward to warmly welcoming him to St Peter's at some future date."

Herald and Post. Is there anyone who works in Northampton, that could pick up a weekly copy of the Herald and Post? We really need a copy for one of our volunteers and it is not available in Raunds. Please contact the campaign office if you can help us.

Bouncing (Sun)Beams... On 3rd July the Little Sunbeams held a sponsored bounce in aid of the campaign. In addition to the collection of DVDs and CD, and of course the Bag2theFuture collections they will shortly be after your old and foreign coins – so start rummaging!

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