



DEVON HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT 2019



THE PAST THE PRESENT THE FUTURE

The social benefits of maintaining our parish churches must not be under-estimated. By funding repairs and the installation of modern facilities such as kitchens, toilets and disabled access, historic religious buildings which have been at the centre of Christian worship for hundreds of years also become community hubs.

Unlike other countries, in Britain neither church authorities nor the state directly support the upkeep of churches. We must work together to bring real social and economic benefit to communities and to ensure their survival for future generations.



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Chairman's Report

The DHCT continues to be a successful grant giving trust to the many historic churches in Devon of all denominations. For a considerable number of churches there remains a great need for financial assistance to care for and preserve our church buildings and church fabric. The fabric often needs modernising and updating.



This year we have supported 28 churches but we have noticed a slight reduction in the application for grants. All the appropriate applications that we have received have been awarded grants. The cause for the reduction is unclear and probably involves several issues. It maybe that the complexity of many building or fabric projects combined with the long application process is too daunting and putting off for many parishioners or perhaps the demanding use of IT and the web is still difficult for many older church supporters. Or it maybe the good news that several of our churches are, in general, in better order than they were 20 years ago. The numbers are known to be variable and it may change again next year. Obviously we will keep this under review.

Our congratulations go to Judith Kauntze on being made an Honorary Lay Canon at the Cathedral. The cathedral are very lucky to have all her hard work and support and we are delighted that she has been honoured in this way. Judith continues to work tirelessly for the DHCT.

The DHCT would love to increase the size of the fund it has to give away as grants. We are very grateful for all the donations that we receive and the amazing effort of many churches on Devon Historic Churches Day. We would like more! We are always looking for more help and ideas with fund raising. In all, I thank the whole team which makes up the DHCT, which includes trustees, deanery reps, assessors and many others for all their hard work and commitment and we look forward to another good and successful year.

Lady Burnell-Nugent



Hon. Secretary's report

I think that I must begin by thanking Judith Kauntze on behalf of the Trustees of Devon Historic Churches Trust. She has worked unstintingly on the issues of the General Data Protection Regulation and the Fundraising Code of Practice. These are large and complex pieces of regulation and she has ensured that the Trust can go forward knowing that full compliance has been achieved. Our sincere thanks to Judith.



On the fiscal front, I raised concerns in my previous report regarding the amalgamation of the Heritage Lottery Fund's (HLF) Grants for Places of Worship (GPOW) with two other HLF schemes. So far we have not had any concerns drawn to our attention by churches in Devon, but as it is still early days, we do need to monitor with partners what is happening both nationally and locally. Also, with the uncertainty to Government funding arising from the Brexit process, it is very important for all of us to be vigilant about the Listed Places of Worship Grant for VAT Recovery, which is due for renewal after March 2020. Although there have been no serious concerns raised so far about renewal, we do need to maintain a watchful eye.

Another matter to which I drew your attention last year was the Taylor Review pilot scheme following the publication of the Taylor Review report into the Funding and Sustainability of England's Cathedrals and Churches. This pilot aims to test the impact of fabric support officers focussing on maintenance and repair of historic fabric and community development advisers helping to increase engagement beyond the worshipping community in both an urban and rural context. Both factors are important – the first for the management of buildings and the second for the potential promotion of attendances, alternative use of buildings and possibly the funding base for churches. Some lessons are just beginning to emerge from schemes in Manchester and Suffolk and I hope to report in more detail next year.

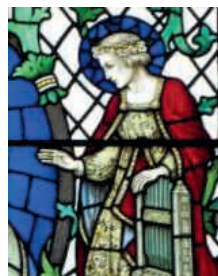
Here in Devon we have awarded 19 Main Grants and 11 Small/Emergency Grants in 2018-19. These were for works as varied as repairs to some newly uncovered wall paintings at one end of the spectrum to roof repairs to keep out the rain at the other end. I would urge all places of worship to keep Devon Historic Churches Trust in mind when putting together a funding package to facilitate a project. If in doubt about eligibility, please do telephone me on 01297 553 666.

As always, I'm very grateful for the achievements of all those who give unstinting support to the Trust and places of worship – the Chairman, Archdeacons, the General Purposes Committee, fellow Trustees, Grant Assessors and Deanery representatives through to those very keen supporters locally who give freely of their time and effort to support our major fundraising activities. Congratulations also to all those people at individual churches who struggle so valiantly with the variety of funding sources (and the associated grant application forms), which they have to tap into to ensure that repairs and improvements can actually happen, and to those who actually manage those improvements and repairs.

John Mills

Finance Director's report

The charity's revenue is mainly derived from two sources; the annual fund-raising day, at 40%, and investment income at 46%. Overall income this year from donations, legacies, fund-raising activities and investment income was £95,496. Grants of £86,698 were made.



The funds raised by the annual Devon Historic Churches Day are a large and valuable source of revenue. Particular thanks go to our organiser, Judith Kauntze, and all those involved.

Investment income increased slightly and the overall value of our capital fund increased slightly. Investment income will vary slightly from year to year but the fund is managed to provide a growing income in real terms.

Hendrik Vollers

Devon Historic Churches Trust.

New Grants awarded in 2018 - 2019

		Small and Emergency Grants.	
Axminster, All Saints	2,500		
Chivelstone, St Sylvester	4,000		
Colebrooke, St Andrew	2,500	Bideford, St Mary's	1,000
Cruwys Morchard, Holy Cross	2,500	Clyst St Mary, St Mary's	1,000
Escot, St Philip & St James	1,500	High Bray	1,000
Holbeton, All Saints	2,000	Littleham cum Exmouth St Margaret & St Andrew	1,000
Huntshaw, St Mary Magdalene	4,000	Petrockstowe, St Petrock	750
Knowstone, St Peter	5,000	Rackenford	1,000
Ottery St Mary, URC	3,000	Shillingford, St George	1,000
Paignton, St John	5,000	Starcross, St Paul's	1,000
Plymouth, St Andrews	5,000	Stoodleigh	1,000
Rediscover Church, Elim Pentecostal	3,000	Teigngrace, St Peter & St Paul	900
Shute, St Michael	2,500	Washfield	<u>1,000</u>
Sidmouth, St Miles & St Nicholas	3,000		£9,650
St Marychurch, Torquay, St Mary the Virgin	3,500		
Torquay, St Mary Magdalene	4,000		
Totnes Methodist Church	2,000		
Weare Gifford, Holy Trinity	4,000		
Withleigh, St Catherine	<u>3,000</u>		
	£62,000		

Combined Total £71,650



For more information on our Grant giving process visit
the Devon Historic Churches Trust website:
www.devonhistoricchurches.co.uk

Eleanor Stead

New Trustee, Devon Historic Churches Trust

With over 10 years' experience specialising in the religious and heritage sector, I am committed to protecting the role our churches play in community life and to help raise the funds needed to inspire local engagement.



I have held the role of the Church of England's National Legacy and Funding Officer since 2012 and am the first point of contact for our 13,000 churches for issues relating to Legacy Marketing and Administration, Grant Making and Capital Funding Projects. In 2017 I was seconded to the role of Acting CEO for the Parish Giving Scheme and I have a BA Hons Degree in Theological Studies from the University of Exeter.

I am currently on maternity leave and live in Bristol. When not looking after Baby Beowulf, I enjoy playing my piano and growing vegetables. I am delighted to join the DHCT Board of Trustees as it combines my passion for churches and the county of Devon with my skills in leadership, strategic development and fundraising.



Administrative & Fundraising Secretary's Report

In the year ended 31st March 2019 the following donations were received:

- £2836.22 from 49 PCCs
- £2875.00 from 64 individuals
- £251.75 reclaimed tax on Gift Aid donations for the year 2018/19.



Claire Sherlock



Devon Historic Churches Trust

Here to help, quickly, simply and efficiently

Small & Emergency Grants Scheme

A couple of years ago, the Trust benefitted from a legacy which has enabled them to establish a fund to help Places of Worship to progress emergency repairs as quickly as possible. **Emergency Grants** of up to £1,000 are available.

The need for these repairs could arise from many causes – wind, water ingress, subsidence etc. An Emergency Grant could be required to acquire a tarpaulin to cover a sudden hole in the roof, or for special equipment to tackle the effects of a flood. As time will be of the essence, a short and simple application process is in place.

This concept has now been extended to include

Small Grant provision, again up to a ceiling of £1,000 and with the same simple speedy process.

The application form can be accessed from the Devon Historic Churches Trust website: www.devonhistoricchurches.co.uk under the heading of Small & Emergency Grant Applications and a response achieved very quickly.



DHCT Church Grant Assessors

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St Margaret's Church, Stoodleigh

4 miles west of Bampton and one of 9 parishes in the Exe Valley Mission
Community

The DHCT gave an Emergency Grant to facilitate initial research into the problems followed by a main Grant to deliver the work required.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THIS CHURCH

This glorious 13th century church has two aisles, seats up to 180 people and is set in an immaculately kept churchyard. Paths through it, allow local residents to take short cuts to their homes.



Of course the PCC manages church affairs but only one of the PCC members truly devotes herself to St Margaret's. Not only does she play the organ, she also manages all the music, is Bells Captain and does the cleaning and tidying. There will be hundreds, nationwide, like her without whose devotion our churches would crumble.

Previous devotees have enabled the following major works in recent times: complete re-roofing in 1999, refurbishment and re-hanging of the bells as well as conservation work on the roof bosses/'Green Man' frieze in 2011/12. Replacement of a section of the heating pipes was completed and the system tested in July 2019.

16 September is the start date for tower repairs by rope access specialists, abseiling from the tower roof. General excitement has led to the possible need for a spectator pavilion; health and safety rules must apply. In order to restore

one of the windows on the south side using proper stone, a specialist mason will work in conjunction with the main contractor.

The project, expected to last six weeks, has been funded by grants mainly from the DHCT. Other local charities have generously contributed as well as the 'Friends of St Margaret's'.

One cannot overstate the importance of the immediate response by DHCT, for funding the preliminary work needed for projects such as this one. The DHCT £1000 emergency grant was for the erection of scaffolding to inspect at close hand, the nature and extent of the repair work. Armed with that detail, it was decided that abseiling to access the work areas would be cheaper and more practical than the erection of cumbersome scaffolding.

There have been some conflicting views regarding the Virginia Creeper on the south and west sides as readers will see from the photograph.

Peter Broadbent
Churchwarden with Margaret Cunningham

Photographs and Stories

As Editor of this Report, the DHCT Newsletter and website,
I am always looking for photos and stories of your
fundraising 'fun', fabric repairs and church treasures.
Please email me on judith.kauntze@btinternet.com

Facebook and Instagram

We are currently developing our profile
on these two networking sites.
So please keep a 'look out'.

Fundraising to secure our churches future

“For the glory of God, for the good of the people”.

This inspiring quotation marks the 650th anniversary of the death of Bishop John Grandisson of Exeter and was delivered to the congregation at Ottery St Mary church by the Revd. Stephen Weston as part of a festival of celebration for the amazing legacy Grandisson delivered to our church buildings in Devon.

Grandisson was not only responsible for much of Exeter Cathedral’s building, including the impressive West Front and the chapel bearing his name, but also worked diligently with our parish churches throughout the Diocese and founded the current church building at Ottery St Mary. Both these glorious buildings reflect the **inspiring nature of all of Devon’s churches** which are dedicated to the caption above.

The fabric of our parish church buildings however are in constant need of essential repairs, added to which they now need to ensure they serve their communities in a variety of essential ways, with re-ordering to provide heating, kitchens, toilets and other facilities.

The DHCT is here to help and support them with these challenges and we are focussing on finding the funding to provide the grants they so desperately need. A vital factor in delivering this is our main fundraising event:

The Devon Historic Churches Day

including the national **Ride+Stride**

Saturday 14th September 2019

50% of funds raised by churches is returned immediately to them.

Your support is most earnestly sought for this opportunity to provide essential funding – either send the DHCT a donation (ref: DHCD), attend a fundraising event or arrange one yourself:

Any day in any way would be just wonderful.

We produce a **Guide to Supporting & Open Churches** which gives very useful information on churches you can visit on our ‘special day’. This can be found on our website: www.devonhistoricchurches.co.uk

If everyone gives a little (or more!) we can give a lot.

Of course you do not have to ride a bike or walk miles to support our Devon churches...

the important thing is to ensure our funding can continue and for this we need your help.

The DHCT gives its warmest thanks for all those kindly folk who arrange fundraising events, in a format that suits themselves.

We are always thrilled to learn of the many innovative ways so many parishes and individuals devise to support this important event.



Lady Burnell-Nugent DHCT Chairman with her husband Sir James and supporters at Ermington Church in 2018

As this report is being compiled we learn of Flower Festivals, Teddy Bears zip wiring from towers and getting bravery awards, Concerts, Cream Teas and requests for donations at a wedding taking place on 'the special day'!

So please Actively Fundraise on Saturday 14th September 2019
or any date to suit yourself
or send us a kindly DONATION.

Together we can ensure these unique and historic treasures are maintained for future generations.



Judith Kauntze

Bondleigh's glorious Harvest Flower Festival in 2018 which included an inspirational Harvest Festival Service.



PS. How about going on a Green Man hunt – there are so many in our wonderful Devon churches!

"The Adventures of our Annie....."

(In her own words.)

**Annie Jefferies is DHCT Deanery Representative for Tavistock – AND
inspiringly supportive of our churches.**

Chapter 1. 7th August 2018

"In 2017 Tavistock were 14th out of 22 Deaneries with our donations and it looks as if we would be in real danger of losing our position!

THEREFORE to boost the cause. I decided to cycle from Lamerton to Exeter Cathedral on Saturday 8th September last year. I feared it would probably be an early start but anyone was very welcome to join me. Part of the route took me on The Granite Way cycle path from Lydford to Okehampton , 10 miles of flat track and if people wanted to meet me at Lydford Cycle Path on The bridge at 9am, and simply join in for that section they were very welcome.

The distance to The Cathedral is almost 50 miles and I was very grateful for any sponsorship from individuals or local Churches.

Invitations were issued to contact me for further details, sponsorship forms or just to say "Good luck"!!

Devon Historic Churches Trust supports us all in many ways and several of our local churches have received building grants. It is really important for us all to ensure that we give them what financial support we can in return."

Chapter 2. 9th August

"Peddle power has taken over!

*I downloaded lots of sponsorship forms from the DHCT website, I also went into our local Photographic Shop in Tavistock and bought a white T shirt from them, to print the DHCT logo and information on.....I wanted to look official!
I also went to our local charity shop and they gave me a collecting tin, on which I*



glued DHCT details and charity number. Then I applied for a collection street license to pedal all day on a static bike, on Friday 17th August (market day) in Tavistock Square, if nothing else it was hoped to promote interest!!

At this stage only a month to get some decent donations, so it was focusing the mind!"

Chapter 3. 17th August

"I was so saddle sore and pretty tired then but 7 hours in the main square was very worthwhile, people were just lovely and most supportive. Made £193 in my tin and it took my fundraising so far to over £400.

Still 2 weeks to go so I will press on..."

Chapter 4. 8th September

Well, I managed it...the actual cycling time was 4 hours so not too bad a time!

Quite tired on arrival but it was such a worthwhile event.

Mike reckoned at this moment we are at £1,079 but

we have a few more to collect and this includes the Justgiving donations.



*Lovely to be welcomed by the Canon Chancellor at the Cathedral,
what a lovely chap Chris Palmer is!*

It was a very successful day for Devon Historic Churches Trust.

Chapter 5. 9th September

Thank you, it was for such a worthwhile cause, but my cycling days may now be over! "
Annie Jefferies

"The DHCT is VERY grateful to Annie.

To be continued.....very hopefully please!!!"

Judith Kauntze

Conservation and repair of newly uncovered wall paintings and rood loft stair. St Peter's Church, Knowstone



St Peter's church stands in the centre of this tiny, isolated village, on a bank overlooking the village lying along the road. The largely 15th C building is described as built of 'random rubble', the north side and castellated tower being rendered. It comprises nave, chancel, four-bay arcaded north aisle, west tower and south porch, several 18th C monuments, cut-down box-pews, a Royal Coat of Arms, some Victorian glass and a wagon roof.

In February 2016 during routine plaster repair work a considerable area of earlier plasters with remains of wall paintings and the openings to a Rood loft stair were exposed on the south wall of the chancel. The latter corresponded to the outward leaning of a large buttress on the south wall between the two windows, clearly not a buttress at all but the stair 'turret'. The removal of a large area of plaster by the builder early in 2017 revealed that it had been applied directly over earlier plaster layers, hiding medieval wall painting.

Plaster had also been applied over various pieces of timber covering the upper and lower openings to the Rood stair, whilst an area of wall was also exposed where the Rood loft had fitted into the wall and from this surviving section the profile of the Rood screen mouldings can be seen.

Having exposed all these remnants of the early church, the PCC's task was to secure the painting and surrounding plasterwork as well as making permanent the loft stair and its two doorways. Three years later this has all been completed to a high standard and in a way that is sympathetic with the rest of the building, no mean achievement for a small congregation.



St Peter's church has added new and interesting historical features, the wall painting being something of a surprise to a small country church.

Paul Holmes, DHCT Church Grant Assessor

The DHCT gave a grant of £5,000 towards the costs of the work.

St. Mary Magdalene, Huntshaw

Phase 1: urgent repairs in order to make the church safe, comfortable and sustainable.

An early 14th century stone built Church with gabled slate roof - nave rebuilt and west tower added in 1499. The Church was restored throughout in 1862, with additions of fine stained- glass windows to add to those of the earlier period. The tower houses three 17th century bells but these are sadly no longer rung due to their support cradle being in a poor condition. There are many earlier century features still existing, such as a hollow-chamfered pointed-arched doorway to stairs with similar features to alcoves but by and large these are overlaid and dominated by the Victorian additions and embellishments.

IMMEDIATE WORK (Phase 1) The mandatory Quinquennial Inspection, identified urgent repairs that must be carried out in order to make the church safe, comfortable and sustainable. This work includes removing three pews at the rear of the nave in order to replace oak joists beneath the flooring. A community-driven initiative is seeking to permanently remove the pews to create a comfortable and flexible meeting place for meditation, prayer meetings, Sunday schools, seasonal events and social functions. The area would be furnished with a rug, comfortable chairs and table that would be folded up if not required. The pews originate from Victorian times and would be placed elsewhere in the church.



Sadly, from the QI Report it is apparent that there is much that is needed to be done to the Church to bring it up to specification. The roof work was prioritised in the report over all else but the understandable view of both the PCC and Friends is that if the congregation and financial support isn't grown with urgency then the Church really has very poor prospects generally.

Janie Lock

DHCT Church Grant Assessor

The DHCT gave a grant of £4,000 towards the costs of the work.

A small sample of wonderful events around Devon supporting our Devon Historic Churches Day in 2018

Chulmleigh, St Mary Magdalene, in South Molton Deanery

Always a wonderfully enthusiastic group of supporters for which we are very grateful. In 2018 they drew the wider community into their Town Hall and had a very enjoyable (and tasty!) coffee and cake morning, with delicious goodies to buy.



They also commissioned an excellent banner to publicise their event which was displayed in the Square shown here with the Town Cryer



Sampford Peverell, St John the Baptist, in the Tiverton Deanery was open and welcoming visitors with coffee and cake in their cleverly designed mini-kitchen.

Thrushelton, St George. Okehampton Deanery

This community organized a truly amazing day of wonderful activities featuring a demonstration of locker-hooking weaving to make pew runners, refreshments and even a Barbeque!

Photos supplied by Ester Van Delft.



Jacobstowe, The Revd. Leigh Winsbury's message of thanks to the DHCT

"It is often a real challenge, particularly for the smaller rural churches of which there are so many here in Devon, to find funds for repairs and restoration for our church buildings. For many, gathering what is needed for common fund and insurance alone is as much as can be done. So, when extra work on the buildings becomes necessary, the task can be daunting and intimidating. It's good to know the trust is there and can be turned to for assistance in such circumstances.

I am aware that three of my own churches, Meeth, Hatherleigh and Jacobstowe have benefitted from grant payments from the trust over previous years as have Bideford and Wear Giffard where I served in my previous post; we, and they are most grateful."



Devon Fiddle Orchestra at Jacobstowe church in July showing Leigh on guitar accompanied by Becki Driscoll, the leader of Wren Music.

Devon Historic Churches Trust
Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31st March 2019

	Total 2019	Total 2018
	£	£
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies	13,559	<i>11,680</i>
Other trading activities	37,759	<i>47,444</i>
Investment income	44,178	<i>42,576</i>
Total income	<u>95,496</u>	<u>101,700</u>
Expenditure		
Expenditure on raising funds:		
Costs of other trading activities	(7,373)	<i>(8,466)</i>
Investment management costs	(8,783)	<i>(9,058)</i>
Expenditure on charitable activities	(97,854)	<i>(84,257)</i>
Total expenditure	<u>(114,010)</u>	<u>(101,781)</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	29,580	<i>(39,265)</i>
Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds	<u>(11,066)</u>	<u>(39,346)</u>
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	1,399,445	<i>1,438,791</i>
Total funds carried forward	<u>1,410,511</u>	<u>1,399,455</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

Devon Historic Churches Trust
Balance Sheet
as at 31st March 2019

	2019	2018
	£	£
Fixed Assets		
Investments	1,364,687	<i>1,342,864</i>
Current assets		
Debtors	795	<i>1,110</i>
Cash at bank and in hand	97,991	<i>127,121</i>
	<u>98,786</u>	<u><i>128,231</i></u>
Creditors		
Amounts falling due within one year	<u>52,962</u>	<u><i>71,650</i></u>
Net current assets	<u>45,824</u>	<u><i>56,581</i></u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>1,410,511</u>	<u><i>1,399,445</i></u>
Net assets	<u>1,410,511</u>	<u><i>1,399,445</i></u>
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted funds	1,410,511	<i>1,399,445</i>
Total charity funds	<u><u>1,410,511</u></u>	<u><u><i>1,399,445</i></u></u>

Statement by the Trustees of Devon Historic Churches Trust

These financial statements have been approved by the Trustees
and will be submitted to the Charity Commission.

For further information the full annual financial statements
can be obtained, upon payment of a fee, from
Dolphins, Popes Lane, Colyford, Colyton, Devon EX24 6QR.

Devon Historic Churches Day.

Saturday 14th September 2019

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Saturday 14th* September 2019

Incorporating the National Ride + Stride Event

*Or a date to suit you



St. Mathews, Cheriton Fitzpaine

On this day we celebrate and support the work of our wonderful Devon churches and the communities they serve

5 Good Reasons to Help

1. The Devon Historic Churches Day & 'Ride + Stride' is a great way to raise money for your church.
2. 50% of the funds raised are returned immediately to your parish.
3. 50% goes to funding grants for the maintenance of our Devon churches.
4. An inclusive way to involve all age groups and all abilities.
5. A worthwhile way to actively promote your church

5 Good Reasons to Remember

1. You do not have to get on a bike. The important thing is to do something.
2. You can hold a church or community event that brings in funds from local people.
3. Visit your neighbouring church – and invite them back, it is good for everybody.
4. Positive leadership in your parish encourages others to help you save our churches.
5. **Organise an event, create publicity, open your church, and welcome visitors – we do not have a 'magic' group to visit you!**

Everybody will be a winner!

**The Devon Historic Churches Trust is helping you to save your church
Please support us on this very important day**

If you are no longer the PCC Secretary or Parish Organiser, please pass this literature to your successor and contact us on 01626 835 820 or email contact@devonhistoricchurches.co.uk so that we can update our records and delete your name from our database.

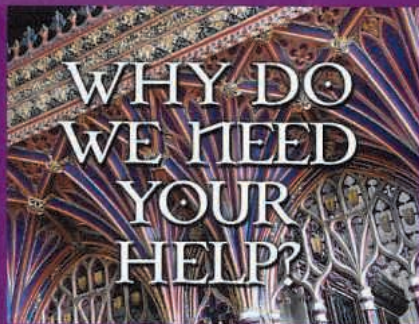
**All forms and the Guide to Open Churches can be downloaded from our website,
please visit it to learn much more about the Trust.**



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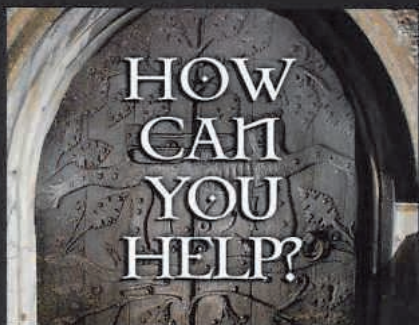
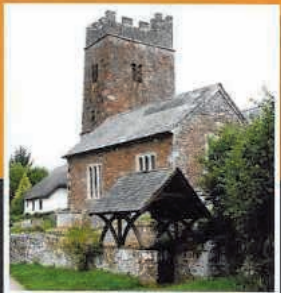
Devon's Churches have been a focal part of life in the county for centuries, providing both a spiritual and physical focus for the communities they serve.

They are also an important part of both the landscape and our cultural heritage. Often the cost of the work required to maintain or repair a church or chapel is far beyond the means of the local congregation and community.



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