



### All Saints Nettleham:

## Restoring Our Heritage, Celebrating Our Church, Strengthening Our Community

# All Saints Church, Nettleham awarded grant by The National Lottery Heritage Fund to save historic church tower.

Today, All Saints Church, Nettleham is announcing a £248,000 grant from The National Lottery Heritage Fund to restore Nettleham Church Tower which will enable this beautiful and historic church to continue to serve its community.

All Saints Church in Nettleham is a Grade 1 listed church containing 13<sup>th</sup> Century stonework and painted decoration (a rare survivor of the Reformation), 14<sup>th</sup> Century windows and the medieval altar stone and without this funding from the Heritage Fund the church would become unsafe, unusable and the precious features of the church will be irrevocably compromised.

This project will enable conservation of the tower which will save the building, enabling it to continue serving the parish as a much-loved church and well-used community space, and provide opportunities for the new generation of bellringers who train at All Saints.

Villagers and visitors will gain unique opportunities to engage with conservation through guided tours, expert talks, and hands-on craft workshops. Activities will include scaffolding tours, giving participants a close view of the repair work, as well as interactive sessions led by skilled heritage craftspeople. These experiences will appeal to all ages, deepening appreciation of historic conservation and traditional building techniques. In addition, a new "Nature & Heritage Trail" will blend biodiversity with local history, inviting people to explore the rich connections between the churchyard's natural environment and its heritage.

All Saints' long-term sustainability will be enhanced by improving the condition of the building, developing strategic partnerships and engaging new audiences. The project will strengthen the church's financial resilience, governance, and ability to engage with the wider community which will secure the future of this special building.

All Saints Church will be running events throughout the project. Please do visit the website <a href="https://www.asn.church">www.asn.church</a> to find out more about the different ways to get involved.

Revd Michelle Webb, Priest-in-Charge at All Saints said: "We are thrilled to have received this support from The National Lottery Heritage Fund. Thanks to National Lottery players for enabling us to protect All Saints Church's rich heritage and ensure it remains a vibrant place for worship, heritage, and community life.

#### **About All Saints Church**

All Saints Church in Nettleham is more than just a historic building; we are a lively and loving community, rooted in Christian faith, and committed to serving others. At the heart of the village for centuries, our church continues to play a central role in community life,





guided by a vision of being a place where all are welcomed, valued, and included. The vision of our church is to Engage with All, to Flourish in Faith and to Grow God's Kingdom and we seek to be a church which truly serves our whole community.

The church offers regular services and marks key life events; weddings, baptisms, and funerals, while also hosting a variety of social and outreach activities. Coffee mornings, groups for children and young people, and music events are spaces for connection, friendship, and support for all; from our youngest to our oldest residents and everyone in between.

All Saints actively reaches beyond its congregation, inviting the wider community to join in cultural and seasonal events, from summer film club to Christmas celebrations. Through these, we continue to seek to nurture a spirit of welcome, hope, and shared purpose. We are committed to valuing heritage and tradition while serving the needs of a modern, thriving parish.

#### **About The National Lottery Heritage Fund**

Our vision is for heritage to be valued, cared for and sustained for everyone, now and in the future. That's why as the largest funder for the UK's heritage we are dedicated to supporting projects that connect people and communities to heritage, as set out in our strategic plan, <a href="Heritage 2033">Heritage 2033</a>. Heritage can be anything from the past that people value and want to pass on to future generations. We believe in the power of heritage to ignite the imagination, offer joy and inspiration, and to build pride in place and connection to the past.

Over the next 10 years, we aim to invest £3.6billion raised for good causes by National Lottery players to make a decisive difference for people, places and communities.

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