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Parish Hall Conservation and Improvement Project

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Removal of Ceiling

The main work this week has focussed on removing ceiling, which was constructed of an asbestos-based product. The company undertaking the work was Shield Environment Services <u>http://www.shieldenvironmental.co.uk/</u>. The waste from the ceiling was carefully stored in a large container to be removed from the site. Starting on Monday the work was completed on Thursday.







Opening Up The Roof

With the ceiling removed it was possible to see the exposed timbers of the roof construction. The next stage is for Richard Slee and his team to undertake the necessary work in conserving the timbers and strengthen to roof structure as described in the Structural Surveyors Report and the Project Plan and Specifications.







Project Meeting

On Friday there was a Project Planning Meeting involving Richard Boxall (Project Manager), Richard Slee (Main Contractor), Richard Frost (Master Thatcher), and Steve Baber (Project Lead). The purpose of the meeting was to co-ordinate and organise the next phase of the work. Richard Slee and his team will be working inside the building on the roof, stage and building work, while Richard Frost will be re-thatching the roof.

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Additional Work

During the conservation and improvement work several other issues with the fabric of the building have emerged and in need of remedial work. These items were not in the original plan but should be undertaken as part of this conservation phase of work.

Crack in Wall

Visitors to the Hall may have seen cracks in the corners of the walls between the south end wall and the east wall and west wall. This has been monitored over a period of time and while it has not shown to be getting worse it is clearly and issue that requires resolution. The walls will be pinned and the cracks filled.





East Wall Corner

West Wall Corner

Diagram showing how the wall will be pinned

Window Timbers

The sills and bottom rail on both windows on the west wall are in poor condition and showing signs of rot, probably due to condensation. With the issue of condensation now being address it is time to restore the windows into good condition.



Window South End of West Wall



Window North End of West Wall

Both these issue attract extra costs to the project.

