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Knowle Parish Church
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Project Status

A project such as this inevitably includes many stages and a significant amount of work is carried out before formal applications are made to the appropriate planning bodies.

During 2024, we developed the first versions of our Statement of Needs which allowed the PCC to agree to commit funds to develop the early plans. This included appointing a Project Director and Manager and establish the appropriate governance for the project.

BHB Architects in Lichfield were appointed to support the early stages of the project, developing early concepts of how the needs outlined in the Statement of Needs could be met.

A number of options, with varying scope and likely cost were put forward.

During late 2024 and the early part of 2025 extensive consultations were carried out with church members and other key users of the church such as local schools. The results of these consultations allowed the development of a preferred plan which included key features such as the building of an Annex on the north side of the church, the removal of the victorian pews, and levelling of the chancel floor.

This preferred design was then the basis on which cost estimates for the project were developed and the church members were approached to ensure that it was their belief both that the plan would support the vision of the church and that they would support the project financially.

In Summer 25, this pledge process demonstrated to the church leadership that the members of the church overwhelmingly supported the project. This has allowed the PCC to approve moving on to the next stage of the design and approval process.