



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

Registered with the Charity Commission No. 518335

CONDITIONS OF GRANT ASSISTANCE

1. The Trust will consider applications for buildings which are, or have been, used for public Christian worship provided that they are older than 30 years, and that they have not been, or are not intended for conversion to non-ecclesiastical use.
2. Grant normally covers only a proportion of the total cost of repairs. Grants are paid only after completion of the works and all documents requested have been submitted to the Trust. The Trustees reserve the right to refuse payment where the completed works are deemed inappropriate or incorrect.
3. Grant-aid is intended to assist in the sympathetic repair of historic churches and chapels and their fittings and will normally not be made for works of modernization, alteration, or improvement.
4. A grant is made on condition that all repairs considered necessary by the Trust will be carried out - otherwise there would be a risk that expenditure on one part of the building might largely be wasted as a result of decay elsewhere.
5. A grant cannot be made for repairs carried out before the application has been made. Nor can a grant be made in respect of works begun before the outcome of the application is known, excepting where prior permission to begin has been explicitly given by the Trust (eg. where the works are urgent).
6. Applicants must indicate their acceptance of a grant offer not later than one month after the date of the offer.
7. The Trust expects that normally, and except for the simplest of schemes, competent professional advice will be sought by the applicant.
8. The application should be supported by a basic specification of the works and any other supporting documentation which will help the Trustees to understand the project. We strongly recommend that you send photographs showing the intended work.
9. The eligibility of a building does not in any event confirm that, if applied for, a grant will be made. Grant-aid is made entirely at the discretion of the Trustees of the Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust and their decision on the matter is final
10. The Trust would like to have a photograph of the completed works for record purposes, which the Trustees may use in future publicity. The Trust may request that a small card be displayed on the church or chapel notice-board indicating that repair works have been grant-aided (this will be provided free of charge).

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11. It is a strict condition that all statutory approvals have been obtained for the works under consideration; this includes, where applicable: a Faculty, or approval of the appropriate body for non-Anglican places of worship, Listed Building Consent, Planning Permission, or Building Regulation Approval. The necessary permissions should be obtained BEFORE work commences, and preferably before application is made to the Trust.
12. The offer of a grant is valid for TWO years from the date of acceptance by the applicants. Renewal may be possible after this period provided that the applicants state reasons, in writing, to the Trustees why the grant has not been taken-up and why the grant is still required.