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Form 7
 (Rule 7.4)
 Faculty

In the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Bath & Wells
Parish of Bath, Weston, All Saints
Church of Bath, Weston: All Saints

The Worshipful Timothy Briden, Chancellor of the Diocese and Official Principal of the Right Reverend Michael, Lord Bishop of Bath & Wells

To: Tom Peryer (PCC Member)
Peter Ward (Churchwarden)
Thomas Yacomeni (Rector)

A petition presented by you has been submitted to the Registry of this Court together with designs, plans, photographs or other documents, requesting a faculty authorising the works or other proposals specified in the petition.

A public notice was duly displayed giving an opportunity to all persons interested to object and give reasons why a faculty should not be granted.

The proceedings were unopposed and did not give rise to a question of law or of doctrine, ritual or ceremonial or relate to proposals that affect the legal rights of any person or body.

This Court now grants a faculty authorising you to carry out the works or other proposals described in the Schedule in accordance with the designs, plans or other documents accompanying the petition and subject to any conditions set out in the Schedule.

The works must be completed within 36 months from the date below or such further period as this Court may allow and the certificate of practical completion is to be sent to the Registry within the period allowed.

A copy of this faculty is to be supplied by you to the architect or surveyor and contractors to be employed in respect of the authorised work before any work is commenced.

This faculty is duly authenticated by the seal of this Court.

Dated 10/01/2023

Christopher Jones

 Signature of Registrar

SCHEDULE

(Description of Works or Proposals)

A: TRANSFORM THE INTERIOR 1. Level floor of the nave of the church throughout and ‘ramp’ access to chancel area to improve ease of getting around the church for those with reduced mobility. 2. Introduce Underfloor heating to enable the church to be heated throughout the week and for a better heat distribution system, supplemented by additional heating in the chancel 3. Replace existing gas burner with gas boiler for main church and ground source heat pump for Welcome Centre (extension) with external boreholes. 4. Install new engineered wood flooring to complement the new underfloor heating system and to improve the overall aesthetics. 5. Replace ground-floor pews with chairs to improve comfort and increase flexibility over the use of the space. [NB The precise choice of chair must be referred back to the DAC for approval] 6. Reconfigure the existing dais to take into account the use of the north transept as a way into church and to improve the musicians’ area 7. Install (fold-back) lockable storage for musicians area in south transept to secure the musical and technical equipment; essential if the church is to be open for public access much more than at present. Build trapdoor into floor of south transept so as to allow easier access to the crypt where occasional items are stored. 8. Dispose of existing pulpit. The pulpit is rarely used; it is in poor condition and in need of restoration. Its current location it is where there would be a ‘ramp’ up into the chancel and to move it forward slightly will compromise other aspects of the new entrance into church. 9. Replace existing kitchenette with a movable servery/tea bar and built in low level cupboards 10. Add a storage cupboard to the rear left hand side under the gallery. 11. Add a folding screen underneath the gallery to create additional flexible meeting space, to be used as a breakout room or as a crèche/tots area during services and other events. 12. Undertake modest improvements to gallery (but retain raked pew-seating) to make it slightly more comfortable and to retain additional capacity; replace existing audio-visual control desk. 13. Add protective barrier to gallery balustrade to improve health and safety in gallery 14. Install complete new lighting system because present is ineffective, old and lacking in aesthetic quality. 15. Install new sound and projection systems - retaining central screen below chancel arch and TV monitors on pillars; add cameras for live-streaming and recording services and events 16. Completely redecorate the interior of church. 17. Restore and clean the memorials in the church and carefully relocate two memorials (affected by the enlarged entrance into the church from the existing choir vestry) in the north transept. 18. Remove a number of mostly removable items from the church as set out in Document 34. Inventory of existing fixed and movable Items B: ENLARGING THE FOOTPRINT 19. Remove existing choir and clergy vestries in order to: 20. Build a new single storey extension (Welcome Centre) onto the north-east part of church to provide: (a) New easily accessible entrance into church (from exterior into extension and from extension into north chancel) (b) Welcome and gathering area (c) Separate WCs for men and women plus fully accessible WC (e) Meeting room for 20-40, capable of being sub-divided (h) Kitchen (i) Storage and plant room RENEWING THE LANDSCAPE 21. Reposition 40 monuments/headstones in order to accommodate the new extension and the new paved pathway leading to the entrance One of the stone memorials to be moved is that of Dr Oliver (a Grade 2 listed memorial) which will be refurbished with a new ledger stone laid in the new paved area to mark the original site. 22. Grass over existing tarmac pathway that runs along north side of the church to the existing choir vestry (to be replaced by the new access pathway) 23. Remove eight trees including 6 mature Irish yews (out of a total of 16 Irish yews) and one mature cedar tree in order to accommodate the new extension and to open up the site. Replace with 11 new specimens. 24. Make some improvements to disabled car parking spaces outside Rectory. 25. Improve and refurbish the main pathways running through the church yard. 26. Improve access to the current garden of remembrance (where ashes are interred) and improve landscaping.

Conditions

- No chairs to replace existing seating shall be introduced until DAC Advice is given thereon and a further order is obtained under this faculty.
- The pulpit shall not be the subject of disposal until fresh consideration has been given to its inclusion in the re-ordered interior, and disposal shall not be authorised until a further order is obtained under this faculty. The Victorian Society shall have liberty to make additional representations concerning retention of the pulpit.
- The Petitioners proposals concerning the floor surfaces shall be reviewed in the light of the Victorian Society’s response of 29.7.2022 and shall be the subject of supplementary written advice from the DAC.
- The outstanding technical issues identified in writing by the DAC Secretary on 24.11.2022 (and arising from a meeting on 29.09.2022) shall be discussed and if possible resolved by the DAC assessor and Mr Tom Peryer.
- In the event of any human remains being disturbed in the course of the works the Registrar’s directions shall be sought forthwith.
- There shall be a written Scheme of Investigation in accordance with the Somerset Archaeological Handbook 2017.
- Works shall not commence until at least 60% of the estimated cost has been secured in the form of assets in hand, grants or pledges.