

**Section 9 of Care of Cathedrals Measure 2011  
Notice of Decision of Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Chichester applied on 14 March 2019 for approval of the following proposal:**

Reframing of Graham Sutherland 'Noli Me Tangere' painting (oil on canvas 79cm x 56 cm) and additional security measures

**And a variation of proposal on 24 May 2019 of:**

- Adapting the existing frame by building the frame up at the back to provide the necessary depth for the new glazing and backboard (if required)
- Replace the soiled velvet with a textile of similar appearance but better light-fastness.

**Summary of the application**

The Graham Sutherland painting 'Noli Me tangere' (market value £125k, insurance value £250k and classified as 'outstanding interest' on the Cathedral's inventory) was commissioned by Dean Walter Hussey in 1961 and is displayed in the cathedral's St Mary Magdalene Chapel, in its original velour covered frame.

The poor condition of the painting's frame was highlighted in a condition report obtained in April 2018, prior to its loan to Coventry Cathedral for a Sutherland exhibition. Reframing the painting, plus the addition of laminate anti-reflective UV glass, was recommended by the Fabric Advisory Committee and subsequently agreed by Chapter.

The proposed new wooden frame will be 100mm wide and painted in similar tones to the existing.

The painting is currently protected by a motion sensor security alarm only, monitored by the Cathedral vergers. The proposal includes additional fixing(s) to the rear of the new frame to enable the painting to be secured to its metal mounting bracket by means of a padlock and chain / cable.

The work will be undertaken by a local picture framer, recommended by the Director of Pallant House Gallery in Chichester (FAC member).

**Summary of the amended application**

To retain the original frame, and adapt it to include the new glazing, backboard (if required), and security fixings. To replace the original stained velvet with a material similar in texture and colour to the original, and with good lightfastness.

**Representations**

**A representation in writing in respect of the above proposal was received from:**

- **Twentieth Century Society**, dated 24 May 2019, expressing concerns about the original application.

**Decision**

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 30 May 2019 the above proposal and representation was considered and the Commission decided to approve the amended application.**

**Signed:**



**Becky Clark**

**Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 11 June 2019

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Holy and Undivided Trinity, Ely applied on 9 April 2019 for the approval of the following proposal:**

Excavation of four trial trenches adjacent to the north and south walls of Almonry Croft, and also inside the building, within the Cathedral precinct.

**Summary of the proposals**

The works outlined are intended to inform the further proposed improvement works to Almonry Croft Flat 1 (ground floor flat), to address high levels of damp within the flat. The proposed trial trenches are to be positioned as follows: two against the south elevation of Almonry Croft, one within the ground floor flat and one against the north elevation (please see attached 'Archaeological Assessment'). The intention of the eventual improvement works is to reduce damp levels by reduction of soil and ground levels against the exterior of the building, reduction of the ground level within to accommodate an insulating slab and by removal of internal wall finishes to allow the masonry structure to dry out as far as is possible. In recent years the damp levels within this area have become too high for habitation, with lime plaster to walls failing frequently and a high degree of salt and mould activity.

**Representations**

- Email from SPAB dated 01.05.19 raising no objection
- Email from the Victorian Society dated 17.04.19 raising no objection

**Decision**

At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission on **30 May 2019** the above proposals and representation were considered and the Commission decided to **approve** the proposal subject to the following conditions:

1. That the Cathedral Archaeologist shall ensure the work is carried out by a suitably qualified and experienced archaeological contractor, shall approve a duly prepared Written Scheme of Investigation, and shall monitor its implementation.
2. That if archaeologically significant evidence is discovered and would be disturbed or destroyed within the scope of the intended evaluation, work shall stop unless or until the Cathedral Archaeologist has agreed a suitable mitigation strategy with the Commission.
3. That if any human remains are encountered they shall be treated with due care and decency and in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Advisory Panel on the Archaeology of Burials in England's *Guidance for Best Practice for the Treatment of Human Remains Excavated from Christian Burial Grounds in England* (2nd edition, 2017). Articulated human remains should be recorded *in situ* and covered rather than lifted; disarticulated remains should be collected for subsequent reburial.
4. That the Cathedral Archaeologist shall approve arrangements for suitable reporting/publication of the results, and for the storage of the site archive. The Cathedral Archaeologist shall also approve the final report on the work, ensuring its deposit with the Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record and its submission to the Commission in support of any archaeological

mitigation strategy proposed as part of the works whose potential impacts it has evaluated.

**Signed:**

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**Becky Clark, Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 7 June 2019

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of LINCOLN applied on 11 March 2019 for approval of the following proposal:**

Temporary Removal of Panel 11 of the Southern Run of the Romanesque Frieze for Conservation in the Workshop

**Summary of the application**

To seek approval for the temporary removal of Panel 11 of the Southern Run of the Romanesque Frieze for conservation repairs in the cathedral conservation workshop

**Representations**

**A representation in writing in respect of the above proposal was received from:**

- Historic England (letter dated 12 April 2019 supporting proposal)
- SPAB (letter dated 26 March 2019 objecting to proposal)
- Victorian Society (email dated 20 March no comments)

**Decision**

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 30 May 2019 the above proposal and representation was considered and the Commission decided to approve the application.**

**Signed:**



**Becky Clark  
Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 11 June 2019

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary, Rochester applied on 30 April 2019 for approval of the following proposal:**

To excavate up to four 1.5m-square (maximum) test pits, to no more than 1.2m deep, within the ruins of the Cathedral's Chapter House. The excavations will inform on-going design and risk management on a potential development proposal for the Cloister area at Rochester Cathedral.

**Summary of the application**

Rochester Cathedral consulted widely during 2018 on preliminary concept proposals for a possible future development of rooms and facilities in and around the medieval cloister to the south of the eastern arm of the Cathedral. The response was largely positive and encouraging, though there is also a general recognition that any project in this area will face some challenges. Archaeology is one of these, particularly in relation to the ruined Chapter House. Rochester Cathedral is therefore applying for permission to excavate up to four test pits within the Chapter House, complimenting the one already dug in 2018.

**Representations**

**Representations in writing in respect of the above proposal were received from:**

- None.

**Decision**

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 30 May 2019 the above proposal and representations were considered and the Commission decided to approve the application subject to the following conditions:**

1. That the Cathedral Archaeologist shall ensure the work is carried out by a suitably qualified and experienced archaeological contractor, shall approve a duly prepared Written Scheme of Investigation, and shall monitor its implementation.
2. That if archaeologically significant evidence is discovered and would be disturbed or destroyed within the scope of the intended evaluation, work shall stop unless or until the Cathedral Archaeologist has agreed a suitable mitigation strategy with the Commission.
3. That if any human remains are encountered they shall be treated with due care and decency and in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Advisory Panel on the Archaeology of Burials in England's *Guidance for Best Practice for the Treatment of Human Remains Excavated from Christian Burial Grounds in England* (2nd edition, 2017). Articulated human remains should be recorded *in situ* and covered rather than lifted; disarticulated remains should be collected for subsequent reburial.
4. That the Cathedral Archaeologist shall approve arrangements for suitable reporting/publication of the results, and for the storage of the site archive.

The Cathedral Archaeologist shall also approve the final report on the work, ensuring its deposit with the Kent Historic Environment Record and its submission to the Commission in support of any archaeological mitigation strategy proposed as part of the works whose potential impacts it has evaluated.

The reason for the conditions being to safeguard the archaeological resource.

**Signed:**

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**Becky Clark**  
**Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 10 June 2019

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral and Parish Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Southwell (Southwell Minster) applied on 18 February 2019 for approval of the following proposal:**

The Southwell Leaves Project

**Summary of the application**

*General Description:*

In October 2017, Southwell Minster was awarded a grant by the National Lottery Heritage Fund to develop a project that will conserve and better present the exquisite and internationally significant late C13 stone carvings of plants, animals and green men in the Chapter House and Slype, known collectively as the “Leaves of Southwell”.

The project will see lighting installed for the first time as well as an appropriate heating system. Issues associated with disabled access will be addressed. Perhaps of greatest importance, however, is a conservation review of the conditions of the delicate carvings. An assessment will be made of the appropriate environmental conditions to ensure that the carvings within the Chapter House are protected. In addition to the work to the Chapter House, the high roof over the chancel and sanctuary of the cathedral will be renewed. The current slate roof will be replaced with a new lead roof on top of the existing structural timbers. This is a repeat of an exercise recently undertaken to reroof the aisles of the choir, which also had slates that have been replaced with lead.

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 28 March 2019 the above proposal was approved with conditions, except for the following element, determination of which was deferred pending further clarification of the causes of damp in the Chapter House:**

*Heating Scheme:*

The Chapter House and Slype are currently heated by two banks of radiators which sit in the spaces and restrict how they can be used. The proposed scheme is to remove these radiators and install an underfloor heating system powered by the existing cathedral boilers. This will require lifting the floor down to an existing concrete slab, installing heating pipework and relaying the floor in its existing configuration. Existing pipe runs within the floor will be used as far as possible. The floor was laid as part of the Ewan Christian major restoration of the Minster in the 1880s. The slab that it sits on appears to predate that work.

**Representations**

**Representations in writing in respect of the above proposal were received from:**

- **Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings**, dated 27 March 2019 and 29 May 2019, detailed comments (tabled).

**Decision**

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 30 May 2019 the above proposal and representations were considered.**

The Commission **approved** the remaining element of the application subject to the following conditions:

1. That a topographical survey, to include a groundwater study, is undertaken to establish whether the source of damp in the Chapter House is subterranean, including possibly from intermittent spring activity. The results of this survey, together with the details of any mitigation measures proposed as a result, shall be circulated to statutory consultees and FAC for comment and then to the Commission for approval before the new heating system is installed.
2. That a thorough drainage survey is undertaken to establish where existing drains are, and that they are functioning as they should. The results of this survey, together with the details of any mitigation measures proposed as a result, shall be circulated to statutory consultees and FAC for comment and then to the Commission for approval before the new heating system is installed.
3. That environmental monitoring of the Chapter House be undertaken for a period of three years, one in advance of the underfloor heating system being installed and two afterwards. The results of this monitoring, together with the details of any mitigation measures proposed as a result, shall be circulated to the CFCE, FAC and statutory consultees for comment.
4. That the Cathedral Archaeologist should hold a watching brief for the proposed works, and that if anything of archaeological significance is uncovered which would be disturbed or destroyed by the works, works shall stop to allow for consultation with the Cathedral Archaeologist and the Commission and shall not recommence until a mitigation strategy has been agreed by them.
5. That a report of the excavation shall be prepared by the Cathedral Archaeologist and placed in the Cathedral Archives.
6. That if any human remains are uncovered they shall be treated with due care and decency and in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Advisory Panel on the Archaeology of Burials in England's *Guidance for Best Practice for the Treatment of Human Remains Excavated from Christian Burial Grounds in England* (2<sup>nd</sup> edn, 2017).

The reasons for the conditions being (1-3) to ensure that the causes of damp in the Chapter House are identified and addressed, and (4-6) to safeguard the archaeological resource.

**Signed:**



**Becky Clark**  
**Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of the Cathedral Church of St Paul, London applied on 30 April 2019 for approval of the following proposal:**

Further to a pre-application meeting with the FAC, CFCE and City of London on 5 March 2019 at St Paul's Cathedral and to the ensuing CFCE feedback dated 4 April 2019, this proposal is to seek consent for the 'test roofs' as part of the first phase of a programme of major roof renewal to the cathedral pocket roofs and trophy room roof (with associated, dependant works as described in the application materials) over a period of 10 or more years. Upon satisfactory completion of the initial test roof the proposal would be to apply for a single, overarching consent for the remaining, entire re-roofing programme from the CFCE, enabling the approval of details of each individual roof to be determined by the FAC.

This application covers:

- Roof covering renewal to South-West Transept (PR-STW) pocket roof. This will be the 'test roof'.
- Roof covering renewal to South Triforium and Library Aisle (PR-SA2 & SA3) pocket roofs. Conditional approval is sought for the renewal of these roofs, to be subject to the details being proven on the test roofs.
- Reinstatement of drainage connection to the missing outlet of the Model Aisle.

**Summary of the application**

This conservation project will comprise:

- Re-leading of roofs:
  - o Lead material to be lifted, timber boarding and any structure to be repaired, new ventilated roofing build-up installed and sand-cast lead re-laid to new steps and falls.
  - o Change in lead roof and gutter profile to accommodate requirements of current LSA codes.
- Repairs to damaged stonework behind lead flashing and new lead screw-fixed flashings installed.
- Repairs to roof structure where required and identified by structural engineer.
- De-clutter of existing mechanical and electrical services in affected roof areas, including removal of redundant services.
- Installation of temporary access scaffold and temporary roof works for vertical and horizontal access to active roof area.
- Installation of new overflows (to same details as previously consented) to mitigate against backing-up of the drainage system and the impacts of forecast climate change
- Collections safeguarding will be covered in separate CCM (Care of Cathedrals Measure) applications on a roof-by-roof basis.
- Essential below-ground drain connections on South East for Model Aisle.
- Temporary works including temporary fire compartmentation and additional fire alarms.

## **Representations**

**Representations in writing in respect of the above proposal were received from:**

- **Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings**, dated 16 May 2019
- **Historic England**, dated 20 May 2019

## **Decision**

**At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission held on 30 May 2019 the above proposal and representations were considered and the Commission decided to approve the application subject to the following conditions:**

1. Works to roofs PR-SA2 & SA3 shall be subject to the further approval of the Commission, following consultation of the Fabric Advisory Committee and the statutory consultees, informed by a report upon the results of environmental monitoring of roof PR-STW to establish the effectiveness of the methodology used;
2. A bat survey is carried out in advance of the works proceeding;
3. Features of the existing roof which are of archaeological significance are recorded, and, where possible, conserved and protected as part of the new roof;
4. Below-ground works are subject to a continuous watching brief by the Cathedral Archaeologist or his nominated representative;
5. If anything of archaeological significance is discovered that would be disturbed or destroyed by the proposed drainage works, work shall cease to allow for consultation between the Cathedral Archaeologist and the Commission and shall not proceed until an appropriate mitigation strategy has been agreed by them; and,
6. If any human remains are uncovered they shall be treated with due care and decency and in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Advisory Panel on the Archaeology of Burials in England's *Guidance for best practice for treatment of human remains excavated from Christian burial grounds in England* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition, 2017).

**Signed:**



**Becky Clark**  
**Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 7 June 2019

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**TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of St Peter in York applied on 8 April 2019 for the approval of the following proposal:**

To construct a stone cladding to allow for the ventilation stack of a new condenser boiler to reach above roof level.

**Summary of the proposals**

The Minster's boilers are due for replacement in Q3 2019 with a more efficient and low-polluting condenser type. This requires a new flue, which must run close to the boiler itself and reach above the roof level of the vestibule in Chapter House Yard. To prevent this detracting from a Conservation Area, it is proposed to encase this flue in a stone 'box', which will run adjoining the existing buttress as shown. The plinth course, string course and cornices will be continued, meaning that the flue itself will be invisible, and the cladding will appear visually to be a single wide buttress.

**Representations**

- Historic England, letter and email dated 23 April and 13 May 2019, raising no objection.

**Decision**

At a meeting of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission on **30 May 2019** the above proposals and representation were considered and the Commission decided to **approve** the proposal.

**Signed:**

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**Becky Clark, Secretary of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission**

**Dated:** 7 June 2019

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