



**Churches
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Trust**

LEIGH DELAMERE. ST MARGARET OF ANTIOCH'S MARCH 2021 CHURCH PLAN



Part A - Current Report

Part B - Survey

Results of our open survey conducted in Summer and Autumn 2020, canvassing all community

contacts for their reaction to Part A. The survey remains [open and available at this location](#).

Please feel free to repeat your survey response or complete the survey for the first time.

Part C - Community Recommendations

Minutes of any community meetings held to discuss the information available in other parts of the Church Plan.

Part D - Action Plan

Details of any actions agreed through Community Recommendations, assigned to community participants, Churches Conservation Trust staff, or to the Churches Conservation Trust Local Community Officer specifically.

Part A - Current Report

Church Introduction & Statement of Significance

St Margaret of Antioch Church in Leigh Delamere, Wiltshire, England was built on the site of a previous 12th-century church in 1846 and dedicated to Margaret the Virgin. It is recorded in the National Heritage List for England as a Grade II* listed building. It was declared redundant on 1 November 1992, and was vested in the Trust on 16 December 1993.

The previous church had been built around 1190, in an Early English style with Norman features. In 1301 the patron of the church was John De la Mare. By 1846 the church was in a dilapidated condition and it would have cost more to repair than rebuild. The new church was commissioned by Joseph Neeld and designed by James Thomson, who also designed the nearby Grittleton House. Stonework from the earlier church, including the bell tower, was reused by Thomson to build Sevington School.

The Gothic chancel includes a reredos which is carved and decorated in many colours. The west window has stained glass by Thomas Wilmshurst. There are many memorials including those to the Neeld Baronets.

A new organ was installed in 1896, and electricity supplied in 1949, although attendance by this time was very low. The building was designated as Grade II* listed in 1960, and the roadside lychgate as Grade II in 1988. The church was closed as a regular place of worship in 1992. In the 21st century a 15th-century stone rood which had been hidden under the pews was restored by Minerva Conservation and placed in the chancel.

In 2016 the church was used as a venue for "pop-up" opera with a performance of The Barber of Seville.

Current use (bookings) & voluntary activity

St Margaret's benefits from the voluntary support of one local resident, who lives next door to the church. This volunteer set up annual "Pop-Up Opera" events to fundraise for the CCT, for which she was awarded with the Marsh Christian Trusts "Fundraiser of the Year award in 2017,

and supports with organisation and cleaning before services, as well as reporting on building condition and change on a 6 monthly basis.

St Margaret's has taken part in the Heritage Open Days Festival for the past few years, thanks to the same volunteers efforts.

There have been few other uses of the church over the past decade aside from occasional filming and photography, and sometimes group tours particularly from Sevington School.

In 2018 CCT worked with an Area Volunteer to produce a new noticeboard and online audio tour for the church. This volunteer was nominated for, and won, the Marsh Christian Trusts Digital Volunteer of the Year award in 2019.

Collection Review

Open Churches Policy status:	Open
Local Community Officer:	Ed McGregor
Current project:	None
Cleaning schedule:	Before use.
Welcome table:	Present. Good stock of guidebooks
Keyholder role:	Fulfilled
Key representative role:	Fulfilled (CCT liaison, maintenance reporting, cleaning)
Area volunteer role:	None
Fundraising roles:	None formal
Stewardship roles:	No stewards although tours available if requested
Research, interp & talks role:	None formal.
Accessibility details:	Provided via website
CCT silver plaque:	Installed, poor condition
CCT information board:	Not installed. There is a Parish noticeboard outside lychgate.
Oak post:	Not installed.
CCT freestanding board:	Provided
Wall safe poster:	Installed, current
CCT A board:	Provided
Gift Aid envelopes:	Provided
Visitor book:	Provided
Building services:	Electric lights and sockets
Parking:	None formal. Spaces on road.
Organ:	Pipe Organ restored by Hill, Norman & Co. Now unplayable
Churchyard:	Not owned by CCT, maintained by PCC and volunteers within the Friends group.
Ringable bells:	No. One bell hung for swing-chiming in open cote.

	Unusable.
Pews:	Yes.
Fire rated capacity:	60
Seating capacity:	Not determined
Site plan:	Available
Roof alarm:	None
CCTV:	None
Individual item security measures:	None
Nearby attractions:	
Public transport:	
Social media presence:	None.
Images on CCT website:	One of three
Regular feature parish news:	Unsure
Services per year:	1
CofE support for services:	Yes
Christmas memory tree:	No.
Tea Party:	No.
Historic Church Tour:	No
Heritage Open Days:	No
Ride & Stride:	No
Champing:	No. For further information, please see Champing introduction and typical church income at appendix 4.
Retail:	No.
Risk assessment general:	Current
Risk assessment fire:	Current
COSHH listing:	Current
Portable appliance listing:	Current
Security Audit:	2015
Learning and Participation events	Yes. Volunteer organised Heritage Open Days
Explorer tags	No.

Conservation reports

Annualised maintenance costs (Exclusive of VAT):	
Annualised maintenance costs express the total costs of church maintenance divided by 25 years. Every cost which relates to maintenance is included except the twice-yearly maintenance visit. Any anticipated repairs are also excluded. A list of typical maintenance tasks for any historic church, forecast over the period, is available to view at appendix 2.	£3221.62
Routine maintenance costs (Per annum and exclusive of VAT):	
Total cost of two maintenance visits per year exclusive of any additional maintenance items included above. A list of the maintenance tasks included in the twice-annual maintenance visits is available to view at appendix 3.	£780.00
Other maintenance costs total (Exclusive of VAT):	
Additional maintenance needs discovered during twice-yearly maintenance visits, costed and listed individually below.	£950.00
-Check bellcote timbers and allow for repairs	£950.00
Total short term repairs:	
Small scale items of limited cost which could be fulfilled with minimal fundraising.	£18,150.00
- Roofing patching and ridge repairs	£4,250.00
- Repair and redecorate rain water goods and gullies	£7,500.00
- Parapet repairs	£6,400.00
Total medium term repairs:	
More expensive needs such as roof repairs and tower repairs which may require more involved fundraising and grant applications.	£259,820.00
- Partial reroofing	£235,000.00
- Repairs to external walling	£15,800.00
- Internal stone conservation to corbels, windows and door surrounds	£9,020.00
Total long term repairs:	
Items which are known to require works in the longer term but which are	£40,000.00

not essential in the near future.	
- Flooring repairs	£40,000.00
- Panelling repairs	£2,500.00
Total desirable repairs: Repairs which are not essential to the conservation health of the church but which might improve aesthetics or usability of the building.	£0
All cost figures are estimates, exclusive of VAT and professional fees. VAT is charged at 20% of the total costs and can sometimes be recovered. Professional fees vary, but are either charged at an hourly rate or as a percentage of the total project cost. These are usually charged only on larger or more complex projects.	

Income, Expenditure & Balances

Income

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Wallsafe income	161	55	-	163	222
Total income	824	715	635	543	422

Visitors

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Numbers of visitors	2,054	765	794	736	2,471
Wallsafe income per visitor (£)	0.08	0.07	-	0.22	0.09

Expenditure

Total expenditure since vesting: 110,725

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Maintenance	842	20,539	512	650	1,178
Conservation	842	1,034	-	-	-
Electricity	-7,925	63	81	63	68

Balances

The restricted balance is the amount of money which has been covenanted or restricted for expenditure at the church. Any expenditure needs to match the terms of the covenant under which the money was donated, for example, a term expressing that a donation is intended for roof repairs only.

Restricted Balance Report Jul '19	£0
Income less expenditure '19/'20	-£824
Income less ann. maint.'19/'20:	-£2799.62

Local Community Officer's Summary

St Margaret's church offers a cool, peaceful and inviting excursion off the busy M4 motorway. Visitors arriving at the church will find it open, welcoming and clean and tidy, thanks to a supportive local volunteer. Once their eyes have adjusted to the dimly lit interior they will find a wealth of interesting features and beautiful Victorian stained glass.

St Margaret's church, Leigh Delamere, has been fortunate over the years that I've been with the CCT to have had the voluntary support of one particularly dedicated neighbour who has achieved impressive things there; hosting pop up opera and theatre events to raise funds, producing displays for Heritage Open Doors Days and generally taking great care of the church.

With some more staff support from the CCT these Heritage Open Doors events may be able to raise more funds. It is hoped that This is my Theatre may want to perform in the church again in the future, as they did in 2019.

Improved visitor interpretation (currently a CCT guidebook and an online audio tour) and scheduled guided tours could increase the donation per head at Leigh Delamere, and the church could be explored as a champing site.

The proximity to the M4 service station at Leigh Delamere provides an opportunity perhaps for future funding / employee volunteering. There is also scope to form a more formal partnership with Sevington Victorian School, who sometimes conduct group visits to the church.

It is hoped that ideas for future use and new potential supporters might arise from the church plan consultation process.

Part B - September 2020 Survey

Summary of consultation responses received by end August 2020

*Following distribution of fifteen questions through our standard church plan questionnaire in summer 2020 to existing Churches Conservation Trust correspondents, (together with an invitation for correspondents to share the survey and associated Church Plan Part A), **two responses** were received for **Leigh Delamere, St Margaret's** by the deadline of **August 30th**.*

The responses received were from respondents both writing in a **personal** capacity, who confirmed that their responses related to **St Margaret's Leigh Delamere**.

In addressing the question of *a perfect outcome for our work together at the church* the respondent indicated **1) would like to re-instate having a service once a year and I would like the church used for live performances of various types, as has happened in the past.**

2) Heritage day and occasional service

In writing about challenges anticipated in respect of repair liabilities and running costs, the respondent indicates **1) Raising funds via events or grants being available. Preserving the Heritage of the building. 2) Obviously a challenge to raise funds**

Thinking about local life away from the church, in relation to other community projects or activities which might combine with our work to protect the church for the future, the respondent indicated **1) Don't know 2) Strengthen the link with Sevington Victorian school.**

Considering if increased use of the church might benefit the community, or if increased use might benefit the church itself, the respondent indicated **1) More activities and use would increase income and improve local interest. 2) These are really stupid questions. The answer is of course increased use would/should benefit the community and that in turn would obviously benefit the church.**

In relation to identifying conservation priorities for the church, the respondent provided **1) Insufficient knowledge of church 2) Keeping it water tight and rot free**

Regarding priorities, opportunities or ideas for fundraising the respondent noted *No new ideas*. In respect of means for initiating fundraising activity, the respondent gave **My experience indicates that any fundraising activity depends 99% on the person or people doing it. CCT encourages but really doesn't do anything very much beyond that.** The respondent also indicated that they would **both** be available to participate in fundraising activity.

In seeking respondents' participation in a future group discussion regarding church planning the respondent indicated **1) Would be happy to meet in person 2) would not be willing to meet.**

In answering our final, open question about any additional church matters not covered in other areas of the survey, the respondent indicated **This is one of the most stupid surveys of many**

I've been asked to complete. Who on earth thought it would be a good idea to have fingers and a pencil at the side? When did you last use a pencil for an online survey? This does CCT no good whatsoever.

In addition to responses fielded through the questionnaire, a further **[no response]** respondents wrote back to their Local Community Officer, expressing the following perspectives:

Nil

Part C - Community Recommendations

Community Meeting 1: 22nd February 2021.

Attending: Ed McGregor (Local Community Officer) et al

A questions whether the church really needs re-roofing. She thinks that the church roof in good condition and not leaking. She suggests follow up is needed from CCT in order to confirm the extent of repairs needed and a more realistic quote for repair. She also suggests asking contractors for photographic evidence of their visits should be part of their contract. EM notes that one the main actions noted for him in Part D below is to get further interpretation and clarification from colleagues on conservation priorities noted in this plan.

A notes that it is a shame that she does not meet with the CCTs maintenance contractors when they come to the church. She would very much appreciate notification, preferably in the form of a telephone call, in advance of their visits. As she is never informed of visits she is sceptical of their presence. She also suggests photographic evidence of their visits.

A notes that she would like to do additional fundraising for the church but of course in the current circumstances this isn't possible. EM notes that previously fundraising for the church has been very much due to A and some further community support would be of course welcome.

A reflects on the strong potential to link up with Sevington school and suggests that the CCTs Heritage Learning Officer could engage with them in future. Pupils would need bus transport to site, which could be problematic. More adult group visits could be encouraged.

A notes that putting the visitor book for the church away as part of Covid-19 safety measurements, was an unnecessary and unfortunate step to take, due to the low potential risk to Covid-19 transmission posed at this little visited rural church.

Additional support from the local parish team would be very much welcome in future, and is somewhat lacking currently.

A has worked with This Is My Theatre previously but it wasn't particularly successful. She is also sceptical of the potential to engage with Benjamin Dry as noted in the action plan below. Performances from local artists and groups would be more popular. She also reflects, somewhat in jest, on the potential for filming in the vaulted crypt – which is a stunning space, but currently not accessible to visitors and would need further investigation in terms of its suitability / safety for access.

Part D - Action Plan.

Community Actions

Short term actions (to end June 2021)

- Agree dates for face-to-face or digital meeting to review interim church plan (September 2020 edition)
- Review CCT Cleaning Churches standard and report

Medium term actions (to end June 2022)

- Investigate suitability of church for concerts or other uses, and of promotion to prospective local audiences.
- Consider use of the church as gallery space, offering local artists and makers a chance to mount exhibitions, or providing community groups and educational establishments with a suitable venue for temporary displays
- Consider the suitability of the site for Champing
- Investigate potential for partnership with Sevington School.
- Investigate potential for encouraging more group visits to the church
- Whenever possible encourage increased use of the church by the local parish team.

Long term actions (to end March 2024)

Actions complete (to end March 2021)

Local Community Officer Actions

Short term actions (to end June 2021)

- Complete community audit to identify additional survey respondents and participants in face-to-face or digital meetings by end November 2020
- Repeat survey for additional respondents by end January 2021
- Investigate improving the visitor information available in the parish noticeboard, just outside the church.
- Review church web page to ensure clear directions available for all visitors
- Share CCT Cleaning Churches standard and report
- Approach Benjamin Dry cellist in case of availability and interest in concert Summer 2021

Medium term actions (to end June 2022)

- Consider adding video directions to the church for prospective visitors' information
- Investigate suitability of church for concerts or other uses, and of promotion to prospective local audiences.
- Investigate potential for partnership with Sevington School.
- Investigate potential for encouraging more group visits to the church
- Support CCTs Estate Officer in ensuring that HT is notified before a contractor visit to the church.
- Suggest to the EO that maintenance contractors to CCT churches provide photographic evidence of their visits.
- Consider use of the church as gallery space, offering local artists and makers a chance to mount exhibitions, or providing community groups and educational establishments with a suitable venue for temporary displays
- Consider the suitability of the site for Champing

Long term actions (to end March 2024)

Actions complete (to end March 2021)

- Distribution Part A reports for each church to all existing correspondents, together with survey
- Receive, anonymise and collate survey responses and add to Church Plan Part B
- Resolve initial findings, conclusions and recommendations based on Part A & B, expressed as short, medium and long-term actions

- Publish Part A, B & D as Interim Church Plan to colleagues by end September 2020
- Undertake staff consultation against Interim Church Plan by end November 2020
- By end November 2020 review colleagues' feedback regarding updates to church plan part A, to include
 - Conservation interpretations
 - Presentation improvements
 - Champing data
- Agree dates for face-to-face or digital community meetings by end January 2021
- Resolve updated findings, conclusions and recommendations based on Part A, B & C expressed as short, medium and long-term actions for each site (Part D)
- Publish Church Plan Version '2021-22'

CCT Actions Other

Short term actions (to end June 2021)

- Provide interpretation of maintenance and repair plans to further explain anticipated costs described in part A above.

Medium term actions (to end June 2022)

Long term actions (to end March 2024)

Actions complete (to end March 2021)

Appendix 1: Summer 2020 Questionnaire

1. This is the first of fourteen questions in the survey - thank you in advance for working through each one. First of all, we need to know if you're completing the survey on behalf of an organisation or writing in a personal capacity (If you're writing on behalf of an organisation, please use the text box to let us know which one. Thank you!)
2. Which church are you writing about? (Don't worry, you can complete additional questionnaires for other sites if you like!) Please state the location and dedication, as in 'Sapperton, St. Kenelm's'. Thank you.
3. People are involved with our sites in so many different ways. In your own words, please describe your relationship with the church building.
4. Some people are actively involved at the churches we look after together. If you're part of this group, tell us about your involvement. Cleaning, attending services and fundraising are just a few of the most frequent activities we share, but we'd appreciate as much detail as you might be happy to provide.
5. In your own words, and having reviewed 'Part A' of our church plan (sent to you by email with the invitation to this questionnaire), please describe a perfect outcome for our work together at the church. What would you like to see happen in terms of community involvement and other use of the building?
6. Bearing in mind the repair liabilities and running costs described in the report you've read, what challenges do you anticipate for a sustainable future at your church?
7. Thinking about local life away from the church, which other community projects or activities are you aware of that could combine with our work to protect the church for the future?
8. Here are two questions together... Could increased use of the church benefit the community? How would this increased use benefit the church itself?
9. What do you think are the most important conservation priorities at your church? For each or all of these priorities, please also let us know about any ideas you have for

addressing them.

10. Income and expenditure for the church is detailed in 'Part A' of the report we sent you. Addressing conservation priorities will entail finding new ways to raise funds. Tell us about any ideas or opportunities you have identified for raising additional income at the church.
11. What do you think might be the best ways to get started with any fundraising activities you have suggested?
12. If you don't already, would you be interested and available to take part in future fundraising activity?
13. Almost done! We'd like to invite you to join us in a group discussion about the church later this year, either in person or through 'phone / video conference. Would you be willing to join the discussion?
14. Last question! Is there anything else you'd like to share about your interest in the church which we haven't asked you already? Otherwise, thank you again so much for reflecting on the future of the church through your answers.

Appendix 2: Typical Maintenance Tasks Forecast - 25 Years (Not Including Twice-Annual Maintenance Visits)

Item	Method & Purpose	Cycle/Yrs	Estimated Cost per visit (present day levels)	Cumulative Estimated Total Cost After 25 Years (2020 values)
Drains, rodding	Below-ground drains can be blocked by debris which stops the rain water dispersing properly and potentially leading to water backing up and overflowing. To prevent this they require rodding and cleaning even ten years.	1	£ 39.00	£ 975.00
Soakaways, inspection and clearance of silt build-up	Soakaways consist of a large pit filled with gravel of varying sizes which act as a filter to allow rainwater to slowly seep into the surrounding ground. Over time material carried into the soakaway in the rain water fills in the gaps and slows the rate of dispersal which can lead to water backing up and potentially damaging or even flooding the church	10	£ 600.00	£ 1,500.00

Mansafe hatchway system	Man safe systems are steel cables or anchor points which are fixed to the roofs of churches to allow people to safely access and work on the roof. As these systems are used for safety it is a legal requirement that they are tested every year for loose fittings or damaged cables.	1	£ 360.00	£ 9,000.00
Lightning conductor testing	Lightning conductors are required to be checked every three years to make sure that they are still performing correctly and will be able to disperse a lightning strike effectively. Metal thefts have often targeted lightning conductors and they may need replacing.	3	£ 480.00	£ 4,000.00
Organ maintenance	Organs are complex machines built using numerous natural materials which can be damaged by moisture, heat and animal attack. It is recommended that organs are checked every year to carry out minor repairs and to be re-tuned as required. Regular servicing can also reduce the likelihood of large unexpected repair bills.	1	£ 140.00	£ 3,500.00

Fire extinguisher inspection	Fire extinguishers servicing checks that the fire extinguishers are functional and maintaining adequate pressure for use in an emergency. Note the CCT only provides fire extinguisher in churches which are either stewarded, used for Champing™ or have significant timber items.	1	£ 166.00	£ 4,150.00
Electrical periodic inspection testing	Electrical tests ensure that the electrical system of the church is both safe and fully functioning. The test will check all elements of the system and highlight any concerns.	5	£ 350.00	£ 1,750.00
Replacement of electrical fittings	As items are highlighted as faulty through periodic testing and maintenance visits they will need to be replaced.	15	£ 1,500.00	£ 2,500.00
Replacement of lamps	General wear and tear - Bulbs require regular replacement. Note LED bulbs will be used where possible	2	£ 250.00	£ 3,125.00
Heating installation, servicing	Annual servicing of the heating system to ensure the efficiency and safe working order of the boiler etc.	1	£ 384.00	£ 9,600.00

Roof alarm, servicing	Roof alarms require annual servicing to check that the system is in good working order and to replace minor parts such as the batteries in sensors.	1	£ 316.80	£ 7,920.00
Rainwater goods, redecoration	All external rainwater Goods (RWG) require redecoration as they are in exposed locations and are exposed to significant amounts of water. The redecoration significantly extends the lifespan of the RWGs and ensures that they are working correctly and are securely fixed in position.	7	£ 1,560.00	£ 5,571.43
Internal & external ironwork redecoration	Redecorating the ironwork prolongs the life of the item and improves the aesthetic of the church. The redecoration of ironwork also provides a good opportunity to inspect the item for damage.	7	£ 1,500.00	£ 5,357.14
External joinery, redecoration	Redecorating external joinery prolongs the life of the item and improves the aesthetic of the church. The redecoration of ironwork also provides a very good opportunity to inspect the item for damage.	7	£ 1,875.00	£ 6,696.43

Window repairs	Minor repairs to the windows such as broken panes of glass, replacement of glazing bars, mortar repairs or lead work repairs are important to exclude the weather and birds and other animals.	5	£ 350.00	£ 1,750.00
Bell maintenance	Bells require ad hoc inspection and minor maintenance to fixtures and fittings	5	£ 235.00	£ 1,175.00
Condition inspection report, all specialists	We have a 9 yearly architect or surveyors inspection plan. When the survey is undertaken all elements of the church will be inspected and a prioritised plan for all required repairs will be created.	9	£ 450.00	£ 1,250.00
Roof overhaul	Roofs require constant minor maintenance with a major overhaul every seven years	7	£ 2,500.00	£ 8,928.57
Clock maintenance	An annual service of the clock with minor repairs and checks to ensure good timekeeping	1	£ 140.00	£ 3,500.00
Tree inspection	A five yearly inspection of all the trees in the churchyards we are responsible for to check for defects and enable us to plan for any required works.	5	£ 225.00	£ 1,125.00
Churchyard maintenance	Grass cutting and minor trimming of plants and bushes etc.	0.5	£ 200.00	£ 10,000.00
Overheads	Office costs to support maintenance planning etc.	1	£ 20.00	£ 500.00

Staff Costs	Staff costs incurred in preparing the required inspections and reports	1	£ 97.00	£ 2,425.00
TOTAL (Excluding VAT)				£107,598.57
TOTAL (Excluding VAT) / 25 years				£4,303.94

Appendix 3: Typical Maintenance Tasks Forecast - (Twice-Annual Maintenance Visits)

Item	Method & Purpose
Gutters, downpipes and gully clearance	Gutters, hoppers and downpipes are easily blocked by leaves and debris both windborne and dropped by birds which can lead to overflowing and water damage to the building.
Roof, inspection & replacing slipped/missing slates/tiles	Over time some slates/tiles or the pegs/nails which hold them will reach the end of their useful lifespan. When this happens it will allow slates to move from their correct position which can let rain in to the building and potentially poses a risk to visitors as the slate/tiles can fall.
Vegetation, control of growth	Overgrown vegetation against walls and buildings can hold moisture against the building potentially causing damage and some plant species are invasive. Vegetation can also obscure the building hiding potential damage and can provide shelter for vermin such as mice.
Tower stairs & boiler room steps, sweeping	Leaves and other debris can build up on steps which could lead to accidents if people slip. Regular sweeping reduces the risk for potential accidents.
Principal steps and paths, clearance	Leaves and other debris can build up on steps which could lead to accidents if people slip. This is especially the case for churches with trees in the area. Regular sweeping of the steps reduces the risk for potential accidents.
Wall Safe, servicing	Servicing of the wall safe helps to ensure that the donations can be easily collected and also checks to



	ensure that there hasn't been an attempt to steal from the safe.
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Appendix 4: Typical Champing™ Arrangements and Related Income

Champing™ is the exclusive overnight hire of a church to visitors. Camp beds and chairs are set up inside the church, along with tea making provisions, battery lighting, and cushions and blankets to give guests a cosy stay.

Guests book online through the Champing™ website www.champing.co.uk and these bookings are related to local contacts so everyone knows when visitors are staying. A local member of staff sets out equipment for the night and removes all gear each morning. Guests have exclusive access to the church between 6.00 p.m. until 10.00 a.m. so visitors can enjoy the church during the day.

Champers don't expect much in the way of facilities and understand that these are ancient buildings. For most churches we've installed eco-loos either inside or outside in wooden cabins. We don't allow candles but provide battery lanterns and fairy lights. As most of our churches don't have heating we only operate Champing™ between the end of March and the end of October, and we recommend Champers bring warm sleeping bags and extra blankets. We also supply bedding and breakfasts but this option isn't available at all churches. Most Champers will eat out locally or may bring their own picnic.

For those churches without electricity we provide a gas camping stove and we also provide amply bottled water for Champers and all visitors to use.

Typically Champers are couples and families. Some of our churches are large enough to welcome groups of up to 16 people. We are dog-friendly, and child-friendly. Many Champers

appreciate the history, architecture, and unique features of their surroundings, and come to learn about the building and its locale through this unique accommodation. We offer those staying for the first time a free CCT membership so they can learn more about our work and consider support for The Trust after their visit.

You can evaluate typical income which derives from Champing™ in the table below.

Church	2017	2018	2019	2020	Total
Langport, Somerset	£10,472.40	£2,765.60	£3,809.94	£3,128.00	£20,175.94
Emborough, Somerset		£2,024.30	£1,378.49	£2,625.00	£6,027.79
Chiselhampton, Oxfordshire	£10,156.29	£2,696.40	£5,864.11	£1,705.00	£20,421.80
Wolfhamcote, Warwickshire		£3,001.00	£2,213.77	£1,624.00	£6,838.77
Holme Lacy, Herefordshire		£4,368.80	£4,758.55	£1,004.00	£10,131.35
TOTAL	£20,628.69	£14,856.10	£18,024.86	£10,086.00	£63,595.65