More lovely events to enjoy – by the time you read this we hope you will have been to the Secret Gardens day on Sunday 15 July.

Then there is to be the 2nd Harberton Rounders Match on Saturday 1 September...

...Another fascinating illustrated talk on 'Hidden India' on Thursday

11 October and then the...

Christmas Tree Festival again at the end of November...

Plus a ...

Belshazzar's Feast concert on Saturday 1 December which will kindly make a donation to our fund.

What a fabulous array of opportunities for fun, for learning and for being together. Come and join in!



And – for all you early birds – on buying your Christmas Cards – our very own marvellous print maker, Carole Oldfield, is going to create a new Christmas Card for this year. Last year's was so popular and this year's will be just as beautiful. So, why not support the Community Fund – and buy local?

For suggestions, information and offers of help more generally, please contact Celia at harbertonccf@gmail.com

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HELPING OUR HERITAGE IN THE HISTORIC HEART OF HARBERTON



St Andrew's Church is a wonderful treasure that needs our help! And it's beginning to get it – from us all. Thank you.

With your help over the last eighteen months we have raised more than £10,000 to start restoring our church to its full beauty, and then be able to provide, alongside its use for worship, a greater range of opportunities for our community.

We want to explain how we are hoping to raise the £80,000 needed; how this first phase fits in with the overall ambition to repair the church and improve it so that more of us can use it for more community activities; and what will happen over the next six months. So, we're holding a

Big Launch Lunch on Saturday 18 August



More on the next page...

We're about to start getting the tick back in our clock.





Last November, we held an open meeting in the church to ask what you thought we should focus on first – and you said that you wanted the tower repairs done so that our precious clock could be reinstalled and start telling us the (correct) time again.

How are we going to get the clock back in and working? While, thanks to a generous legacy, we have the money for the clock repair, we need to raise the other repair funds, get the necessary permissions, and work closely with the contractors and our supervising architect to make the clock room floor safe again. The Church Council are closely involved in, and really supportive of these efforts – but it all takes a lot of people and time.

We want to make sure that you feel you understand both how it can happen and how, in whatever way, you might be able to help.

So, we really hope you will accept our invitation to join us at our BIG LAUNCH LUNCH on Saturday 18 August.

It'll be in the church grounds and absolutely everyone is welcome. We want this to be something for everyone in the parish, or who loves our church from further afield – every age from 1 day old to 105 years old (or more)!

More information coming soon – for now please just put the date in your diary! If you want to offer your help now, would you contact Carole or Sue? (carolefarthing@gmail.com or suemahon1@btinternet.com / 01803 866554)

Before the Launch, why not take a look at the intriguing exhibition of photos taken and mounted, and explained by our own Jonathan Bean? They're in the church – which is open every day from about 8.00am to 4.00pm.

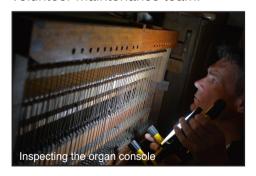
Jonathan has also created a series of four delightful illustrated greetings cards to help raise funds – these will be launched at the Secret Gardens and will then be available from Jonathan and around the village. They cost £1.50 each (with envelopes) or four for £5.00.

More money in the pot. We have run two more terrific events this year and boosted the fundraising coffers from them and donations from other events by a total of £1,718. A concert in the church of three of Bach's Cello Suites was sublime – the playing, the setting and the sense of peace and community it created (and it raised just over £1,000 after expenses). The Craft Fair donated £603, the guiz for the Harberton Community Land Trust donated £30 and the pub pot raised a further £22. We now have £10,200 in the bank to put towards urgent repairs.





No bats in the belfry...and no jackdaws either! Many of you have noticed them circling frantically, dropping twigs all around. This is because they cannot get in – and they are slow learners. So, it might take a couple of years before they twig(!) that there's no way in, thanks to the efforts of our hard working volunteer maintenance team.



Hope for our organ. We are continuing investigations and assessments of just how much we need to do in the church, and what it will cost. Recently, engineers from the company that made it in 1858 surveyed our fine 'Father Willis' organ. We await their full report, and there were reasons to be a little encouraged. Maybe we'll find our lost chord after all!