

## VICAR IN A FLUSH

At our Church Council meeting recently, it was suggested that I inaugurate the opening of the new Toilet Facilities at Dinton by being the first to make use of them!!

So has it really come to this – at the end of my distinguished career, having overseen large building projects in the other Churches where I have served – to ‘open’ new toilets? Things are surely now going down the pan! Has the gutter press of Dinton stooped so low that they want to catch the Vicar with his trousers down? But then I thought again. Is this really such a big job that they are asking me to do? Will I do it? We will have to wait and see!

Come along to the Official Opening of the New Facilities at St. Peter and St. Paul Dinton, on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June to find out!





# **FLUSH FUND UPDATE 2015**

## **Dinton Church – Kitchen and Toilet Project**

Work started in early January 2015 to construct the new toilets, kitchen and meeting room in the base of the tower of Dinton Church.

The church is closed for the duration of the building works, which should be completed by the end of March. In addition to the above mentioned facilities, there will be additional doors between the existing West door and the nave, hopefully reducing cold draughts. There will also be 2 gentle ramps from the West door, allowing improved disabled access to the church.

Initial investigations for this scheme started in 2008, so the steering committee have now been actively involved in the project for 7 years.

Phase 1 of the project (new lead for the tower roof) was completed in 2011 and in 2013 the Serjeant monument was moved from the tower to a much more prominent position in the south aisle.

The project is a large one and consequently it is also expensive. Various fundraising events have been held over the years and, in addition, many parishioners have made generous donations to the project. We have also been fortunate to have received valuable funding from grant aiding organisations.

The steering committee would like to thank everyone who has helped the project in any way. We have funds in hand to cover the main contract, but donations are still welcome for peripheral items (e.g. kitchen equipment and improved storage).

Once the building work is complete, a thorough clean of the church will be required, and all the items moved as a result of the building work will need to be put back in their proper places. Offers of help will be welcome – please contact a committee member.

Hopefully the church will re-open, in time for Easter.

We also hope to have a formal opening “event” and details will be announced in due course.

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## WORK IN PROGRESS

