

IT'S MARCH 2020 AND PROGRESS IS SWIFT!!



Matthew, our stonemason removes 140 years of grime



Andy matches the bricks for the entrances into the church



David confirms the position for the first steel girder



The crane is ready for action



The frame erection is started



View through a bolthole

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March Update for everyone who attends events at HMC

The story so far.....Swift Construction Ltd, who are the main contractors, started work in November and since then we have seen:

- The site cleared of sheds, boiler house, toilets, walls and trees.
- The unexpected problems of unearthing and removing the 100-year-old boiler and its asbestos covered pipes, replacing the old damaged drains and repairing the major cracks in the church wall.
- The preparing of the foundations and laying the main concrete base.
- The cleaning and repairing of the church brickwork which will form the feature wall inside the new extension.
- The making of the 2 new doorways in the church wall.
- The erection of the main steel framework for the extension.

In the coming weeks we will see the roof being put in place and the walls being built. Because of the unexpected problems, the completion date of the contract is now likely to be in August, although if everything now runs smoothly, an earlier date may be achieved. We will keep everyone who uses our premises up to date with progress and also how and when our existing rooms, particularly the main kitchen and the sanctuary will be affected.

We can now start to appreciate just how big the new extension will be, and the photographs overleaf show how it now looks.

The report from the H4H October workshops is now available which summarises our suggestions and recommendations about the internal design and layout of both the new extension and the existing church sanctuary. Decisions will be made later in the year once Coronavirus restrictions have been lifted as to what will be included in the next phase of the project.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation