



THE DIOCESE OF YORK

DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FOR THE CARE OF CHURCHES

A meeting of the Committee was held at 2pm on Wednesday 29th April 2026 via Zoom

Catherine Copp
Secretary

3. Archdeaconry applications

3.1 East Riding

A. Aldbrough Saint Bartholomew Grade II* DAC 24/04/3/1/I, 2024-096686

Petition: In the churchyard to remove the steps at the western entrance and introduce a ramped access path with landings between the lychgate and the South Porch

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

B. North Dalton All Saints Grade II* DAC 25/01/3/1/H, OFS 2024-102326

Petition: To install an electromagnetic hammer to the bell (c. 1450)

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

C. Beverley Saint Mary Grade I DAC 24/10/3/3/G, OFS 2024-106677

Petition: To form a structural opening and insert a new single leaf glazed external personnel door into the south elevation of the church hall

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

D. Scarborough Saint Luke Unlisted DAC 25/11/3/2/G, OFS 2025-118655

Petition: To 1. install disabled accessible lift between church building and church hall, 2. create additional car parking including disabled parking spaces, 3. demolish existing entrance building and replace with new entrance with kitchen, WCs and meeting room, 4. landscape site to include lychgate to Scalby Road, new pedestrian entrance towards Scarborough Hospital and new paths, and 5. introduce bio-diversity measures

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

--- New petitions -----

E. Sprotley Saint Swithin Grade II DAC 26/04/3/1/E, OFS 2026-125368

Petition: In the churchyard to fell a sycamore tree (T1277) and an ash tree (T1279) adjacent to the boundary with a neighbouring residential property, to fell other dead or diseased trees and to carry out other tree works

This petition was progressed on 24th March 2026 under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

PROVISO: Consideration should be given to the replacement of the felled tree(s). Replacement planting whether of trees or under-canopy should be of native species suitable to the location. If there is insufficient suitable space within the churchyard then the replacement planting may take place elsewhere within the parish. If replacement planting cannot be undertaken within the churchyard or within the parish, then a contribution should be made to the Woodland Trust for planting to take place elsewhere.

F. Foston on the Wolds Saint Andrew Grade II* DAC 26/04/3/1/F, OFS 2026-124342
Petition: In the churchyard to remove two large leylandii/cypress trees from the south side of the church

This petition was progressed on 20th April 2026 under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended
PROVISO: Replacement planting should be of three or four small trees of native species suitable to the location.

G. Hull Minster (Most Holy & Undivided Trinity) Grade I DAC 26/04/3/1/G, OFS 2026-127429
Petition: To carry out repairs to the East and West windows

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

H. Ottringham Saint Wilfrid Grade I DAC 26/04/3/1/H, OFS 2026-126484
Petition: Confirmatory petition to permit the temporary removal of the glazing of the western window of the North Aisle and temporary installation of a timber framework to support the window tracery (Interim Faculty dated 7th October 2025) and subsequently to replace the stone mullions and reinstate the glazing

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

3.2 York

A. Nether Poppleton Saint Everilda Grade II DAC 23/07/3/2/O, OFS 2023-086227
Petition: Retrospectively to permanently lay down three unsafe memorials in the churchyard

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

B. York Saint Lawrence Grade II DAC 23/09/3/1/AA, OFS 2023-089171
Petition: To install a set of 8 automated electromagnetic clock hammers to the peal of 8 change ringing bells

WITHDRAWN

C. Upper Poppleton All Saints Grade II DAC 23/10/3/3/S, OFS 2023-089368
Petition: In the churchyard to permanently lay down 9 unsafe memorials

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

D. Thorganby Saint Helen Grade I DAC 24/10/3/1/Q, OFS 2024-104548
Petition: To introduce an accessible composting WC in the churchyard

WITHDRAWN

E. Leavening Chapel, The Venerable Bede Unlisted DAC 24/12/3/3/R, OFS 2024-100126
Petition: To install an insulating stud wall to the internal south wall, and install a draft seal and replace with thicker insulating panels the existing low-level panels of the South Door together with associated minor external works

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

F. Slingsby All Saints Grade II* DAC 25/05/3/2/N, OFS 2025-114379
Petition: To install timber ladder access runs in the Tower with two timber access platforms and to alter the existing hatch to be top opening

WITHDRAWN

G. York Saint Chad Grade II DAC 25/05/3/2/R, OFS 2025-110411
Petition: To fit polyester powder coated (PPC) aluminium capping to the brick parapet copings to North and South Aisles, Rood Passage and Staircases

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

H. Kirkby Wharfe Saint John the Baptist Grade II* DAC 25/06/3/1/Q, OFS 2025-114825
Petition: To rehang the three bells from swing to fixed hanging format, adding a new clapper system (electronic and manual)

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

I. Huttons Ambo Saint Margaret Grade II DAC 25/09/3/2/U; OFS 2025-118603
Petition: To renovate the pipe organ (P Conacher, Huddersfield, c1871)

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

J. Bubwith All Saints Grade I DAC 25/11/3/3/Q, OFS 2025-120900
Petition: To carry out glazing repairs and to incorporate any medieval panels into EPG

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

K. Acomb Holy Redeemer Grade II DAC 25/12/3/2/K, OFS 2025-122181
Petition: To 1. install new toilets, secondary glazing and enlarged parish office in link corridor between church and hall, 2. create level access to rear of nave and sanctuary, 3. install kitchen pod and café seating in rear of nave, 4. remove and dispose of electric organ from side chapel to create a new meeting room and 5. remove some pews from the nave and replace with metal framed stackable chairs to create flexible seating

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

L. Long Marston All Saints Grade I DAC 25/12/3/2/L, OFS 2025-122087
Petition: To replace cast iron rainwater gutters with Brett Martin cast iron style plastic rainwater goods and to refurbish the decorated cast iron hoppers and downpipes

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

M. Drax Saint Peter & Saint Paul Grade I DAC 26/03/3/3/O, OFS 2025-115800
Petition: To 1. remove, repair and restore the pews (c. 1851, incorporating medieval pew ends c. 1540 and panelling C16th-C19th) and pew platforms within the Nave, and 2. in the North Aisle relocate two pews, permanently remove the pew platform and lay a new Yorkshire stone paved floor level with the existing floor

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

--- New petitions -----

N. Bulmer Saint Martin Grade I DAC 26/04/3/2/N, OFS 2026-127261
Petition: In the churchyard to install a beehive

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

O. Dringhouses Saint Edward the Confessor Grade II DAC 26/04/3/2/O, OFS 2026-126517
Petition: To replace the roof of the Scout Hut

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

P. Tockwith the Epiphany Grade II DAC 26/04/3/2/P, OFS 2026-124568
Petition: To 1. remove the existing gas boiler and install a far infra-red heating system, and 2. rewire the lighting installation and replace existing fittings with LED light fittings

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

[York All Saints Pavement with Saint Crux & Saint Michael Spurriergate]

Q. York All Saints Pavement Grade I DAC 26/04/3/2/Q, OFS 2026-126891

Petition: Retrospective petition to lay up the Standard of the Royal Dragoon Guards

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

R. York Saint Clement Grade II DAC 26/04/3/2/R, OFS 2026-127180

Petition: To carry out repairs to the two-light stained glass window depicting St Margaret and St Clement (J W Knowles, 1920)

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

PROVISO: Subject to approval by the Stained-Glass Adviser

S. Stamford Bridge Saint John the Baptist Unlisted DAC 26/04/3/2/S, OFS 2026-127421

Petition: To 1. remove the bells and headstocks from the bell turret, remove the cannons, fit two new galvanised headstocks, a galvanised lever, wall mounted bearing brackets, clapper assemblies, galvanised sally guide wire and bronze pulleys and new bell chiming ropes, and reinstall the bells with new fittings, and 2. where necessary carry out minor repointing works to the bell turret

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

3.3 Cleveland

A. Eston Christ Church Grade II DAC 25/03/3/1/J, OFS 2025-110261

Petition: To lower the ground level of a strip of land between the church and 73 High Street Eston

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

B. Kirkleatham Saint Cuthbert Grade I DAC 25/05/3/3/I, OFS 2025-112202

Petition: In the open churchyard to fell 3 poplar trees

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

C. Ingleby Barwick Saint Francis of Assisi Unlisted DAC 25/06/3/2/H, OFS 2025-115074

Petition: To install PV solar panels to the south roof slope above the main entrance

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

PROVISO: Subject to an Advising Architect being satisfied with the adequacy of the fixing method

D. Yarm Saint Mary Magdalene Grade II* DAC 25/11/3/1/N, 2025-119679

Petition: To replace the existing gas boiler with a more efficient Vaillant Eco Tec Plus System 35KW boiler

This petition was progressed on 13th April 2026 under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

E. Rosedale Saint Lawrence Grade II DAC 25/12/3/3/I, OFS 2025-118414

Petition: To fell 1 x sycamore tree, 1 x lime tree, 3 x holly trees, 1 x silver birch tree, 1 x elder tree and reduce in height several yew trees and 1 x holly tree.

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023.

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

F. Cowesby Saint Michael Grade II DAC 26/03/3/1/G, OFS 2026-124904

Petition: To 1. rewire all electrics in church, 2. introduce energy efficient interior, exterior and emergency lighting, and 3. install an electrical heating system for attachment to pews

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

G. Cowesby Saint Michael Grade II DAC 26/03/3/1/H, OFS 2026-124933
Petition: To 1. modify the churchyard entrance gate pillars prior to installation of new lights, 2. carry out repointing of the South side of the Tower and 3. prepare, stain and wax the timber floor of the Chancel

This petition was progressed on 25th March 2026 under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023

FINAL ADVICE: Recommended

H. Edstone Saint Michael Grade II* DAC 26/03/3/1/I, OFS 2026-124512
Petition: To install 3 x 1800watt, 2 x 600watt radiators and 20x 2ft under pew heaters

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

I. Harome Saint Saviour Grade II DAC 26/03/3/1/J, OFS 206-124120
Petition: To install an automated clock winding mechanism

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

--- New petitions -----

J. Skelton in Cleveland All Saints Grade 2* DAC 26/04/3/3/J, OFS 2025-117067
Petition: To replace an existing defunct gas boiler with two Viessmann Vitodens 200 gas boilers

This petition would be progressed under the Delegated Authority Policy dated 24th October 2023

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

K. Whitby Saint Mary Grade I DAC 26/04/3/3/K, OFS 2026-127176
Petition: To introduce a small stained-glass window into the Tower in memory of Richard Baker

INITIAL ADVICE: Deferred

4. Private Petitions

5. List A & B Items to Report

List A

- a. **Howden Minster** – (A1-6) remedial works to electrical installation
- b. **Hull, Drypool Saint John** – (A1-2) replacement of kitchen fittings
- c. **Hull, Drypool Saint John** – (A1-3) like for like repairs to plain glazing
- d. **Hull Minster** – (A3-3) replace bell ropes
- e. **Market Weighton All Saints** – (A1-2) replacement toilet door
- f. **Thormanby Saint Mary Magdalene** – (A1-1) plaster repairs on porch ceiling

List B

- a. **Aberford Saint Ricarius** – (B6-2) to stabilise a partially collapsed section of churchyard west wall
- b. **Bramham All Saints** – (B7-3) works to trees
- c. **Bramham All Saints** – (B7-2) felling of three dying trees
- d. **Cawood All Saints** – (B1-6) replace lead work to roof of Church Tower, repointing
- e. **Cowlam Saint Mary** – (B1-1) replace mortar surround to east window
- f. **Dringhouses Saint Edward the Confessor** – (B1-1) stonework repairs
- g. **Dunnington Saint Nicholas (Y)** – (B6-1) removal of rotten timber bench from churchyard

- h. **Hayton Saint Martin** – (B4-6) treatment of pulpit against beetle or fungal activity
- i. **Helperthorpe Saint Peter** – (B4-10A) installation of under pew heaters
- j. **Hull The Ascension** – (A1-6) repair to individual infra-red heaters, with individual replacements if necessary
- k. **Kirkby in Cleveland Saint Augustine** – (B6-8) introduction of handrails to steps and ramp
- l. **Monk Fryston Saint Wilfrid** – (B4-10A) installation of under pew heaters
- m. **North Dalton All Saints** – (B7-3) reduce branches of Yew tree
- n. **Norton Saint Peter** – (B1-11A) installation of equipment for receiving wireless broadband services
- o. **Preston All Saints** – (B7-3) works to churchyard trees
- p. **Seamer Saint Martin** – (B1-8) replacement of LED lighting following fire
- q. **Seamer Saint Martin** – (B4-10) replacement of over door heater
- r. **Sowerby Saint Oswald** – (B4-9) relocation of fixed internal noticeboard
- s. **Sowerby Saint Oswald** – (B6-2) repair and rebuilding of gate pillars
- t. **Dunnington Saint Nicholas (Y)** – (B6-1) introduction of bench in churchyard
- u. **Filey Saint Oswald** – (B7-3) tree works in churchyard
- v. **Leconfield Saint Catherine** – (B1-7) installation of emergency exit light in South Aisle
- w. **Pocklington All Saints** – (B7-2) felling of storm damaged cherry tree
- x. **Scarborough Saint Mary** – (B6-1) introduction of bench in churchyard
- y. **York Saint Chad** – (B6-4) new churchyard noticeboard
- z. **York Saint Cuthbert** – (B1-11A) installation of equipment for receiving wireless broadband services
- aa. **Stockton on the Forest Holy Trinity** – (B7-3) tree works in churchyard

6. Secretary's Notes

- a. **AMO for temporary heating solutions** – draft for approval. This would cover the situation where a church gas/oil boiler was condemned, and the parish were left without heating. In order to avoid the immediate reaction of installing a replacement fossil fuel boiler the parish should consider a temporary heating solution to give them thinking time and time to fund-raise for a net zero carbon heating solution if possible. Members approved the draft AMO subject to consideration by the DAC Heating and Electrics Advisers.
- b. **DAC Heating Adviser** – The Secretary informed the committee that one of the DAC Heating Advisers had advised her of his intention to retire from the role at the end of May. Unfortunately, he was unable to join the meeting, but she would ensure the thanks of the whole committee were passed on.

7. Grants

- a. **Farlington Saint Leonard** – a grant has been awarded towards the VAT costs of the conservation of two bells, one listed† (1st by Edward I Seller, 1699-1724; 2nd by Thomas del Wald, c.1399)
- b. **Fulford Saint Oswald** – a grant has been awarded by National Lottery Heritage Fund towards building improvements and heritage research

8. Architects

Changes of Quinquennial Inspectors

- a. **Kirkleatham Saint Hilda (U)** – Approved
- b. **Thornton Dale All Saints (I)** – Approved

9. Reports

1. Bells and Clock reports

- a. **Farlington Saint Leonard** – completion report
- b. **York Saint Michael le Belfrey** – completion report

2. Electrical and lighting reports

3. Heating reports

- a. **Filey Saint John**

- b. **Helperthorpe Saint Peter**
- c. **Normanby Saint George**
- d. **North Ormesby Holy Trinity**

4. **Organ reports**

5. **Church Buildings Adviser's reports**

Written reports

Verbal reports

- a. **Thirsk Saint Mary** – The committee were made aware that there was an NLHF application in preparation. This would include work to the entrance and tower and a new servery.
- b. **Hull Minster** – K Halliday had met with the Hull Minster team to discuss a further phase of works for which they would be seeking funding. This would include the choir stalls, which were quickly becoming insufficient as the choir expanded, pews and other items of furniture.

10 Any Other Business

- a. **Heating schemes** – A member raised the matter of district heating schemes under consideration (e.g. in Hull). K Halliday confirmed that the Net Zero team were aware of such schemes, even though there was no specific CBC guidance on the topic yet.

Next meetings:

Tuesday 9th June - in office
Thursday 16th July - by Zoom
Wednesday 23rd September - in office

DAC: Minutes 2604