

ST TORNEY' S CHURCH, NORTH HILL

CHURCH PLAN



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Introduction

The Churches Conservations Trust's strategy is to empower and support communities to care for historic places of worship, for the benefit of all. A sustainable CCT church is well used by its community(ies), generates sufficient funds for the maintenance that keeps it in a good state of repair and is able to raise funds for specific repair and improvement projects. Local Community Officers facilitate this through their work with the community to co-create Church Plans.

Church plans are a living document which combines information on the church's history, significance, maintenance and repair needs and the current use of the church, with feedback and recommendations from the community, and concludes with an action plan setting out agreed short, medium and long term goals to support the sustainable use and care of the church.

Part A - Current Report

Church Introduction & Statement of Significance

The Church of St Torney is in the village of North Hill in Cornwall, situated on the eastern edge of Bodmin Moor approximately six miles (10 km) southwest of Launceston. This large impressive church with its tall granite tower is dedicated to St Torney, a Cornish Saint.

There is a Norman font in the church and it is thought that a church in some form has existed on the site since Norman times. The C14th chancel is the earliest part of the church but most of the building you see today, including the beautiful wagon roof and impressive arcading, dates from the C15th and early C16th century. The belfry contains six bells.

St Torney is the parish church associated with the manor and estate of Trebartha and its array of monuments, memorials and stained glass includes some diverse, fine, rare and significant examples. The impressive Trebartha monument in the south aisle features large scale monuments of Henry Spoure (who died in 1688 at ten years old) and his family. A second intriguing monument to another Henry Spoure features an incised and painted skull.

St Torney's featured in Daphne Du Maurier's 1936 literary classic Jamaica Inn, and the Jamaica Inn itself is located a short distance from the village.

Current use (bookings) & voluntary activity

The last service at St Torney's took place on 17 March 2019, and in April 2022, St Torney's was placed into the care of the Churches Conservation Trust. After extensive essential repair and conservation work St Torney's will be open to the public in October 2024, with external work continuing until spring 2025.

Church Information

General Information:	
Open Churches Policy status:	Open
Local Community Officer:	Marie Leverett
Current projects:	None
Parking:	Parking available at nearby village hall or on road side
Building services:	Electricity and water
Churchyard:	Not owned by CCT
Ringable bells:	6 bells state unknown at present
Organ:	None
Volunteering:	
Keyholder role:	Fulfilled
Key representative role:	In progress
Fundraising roles:	In progress
Stewardship/events roles:	In progress
Research, interp & talks role:	In progress
Cleaning schedule:	Under discussion
CCT Items:	
CCT silver plaque:	Not installed, not due
CCT information board:	Due spring 2025
Oak post:	Not known
CCT freestanding board:	Not known
Wall safe poster:	Not known
CCT A board:	Not known
Gift Aid envelopes:	Not known
Visitor book:	Not known
Welcome table:	Not installed
Children's explorer cart:	Not known as yet
Children's trail:	Not known as yet
Tourism/Marketing:	
Nearby attractions:	Bodmin National Park, Launceston Castle (English Heritage), at least three holy wells, the Jamaica Inn, Launceston Priory, and Cothele House (National Trust). The Cheeswring and Hurlers on Bodmin Moor. Museums in Launceston and Liskeard.
Social media presence:	Nil
Images on CCT website:	One
Regular feature parish news:	Not at present
Events/Activity:	
Services per year:	Not currently known
Christmas memory tree:	Not currently
Heritage Open Days:	Not currently

Ride & Stride:	Not currently
Champing:	Not currently
Retail:	Not currently
Health and Safety:	
Fire rated capacity:	100 when only south door in use – 200 when tower door (and possibly chancel door) in use and fire wardens briefed. Doors open inwards.
Seating capacity:	200
Site plan:	Yes
Roof alarm:	Not installed
CCTV:	Not installed
Individual item security measures:	None
Accessibility details:	Provided via CCT website
Risk assessment general:	In draft
Risk assessment fire:	In draft
COSHH listing:	None
Portable appliance listing:	None
Security Audit:	In progress
Pews:	Sound, no defects

Conservation reports

<p>Annualised maintenance costs (Exclusive of VAT):</p> <p>Annualised maintenance costs express the total costs of church maintenance divided by 25 years. Every forecasted cost which relates to the maintenance of this church over a period of 25 years is included. Any anticipated repairs are excluded. A list of typical maintenance tasks for any historic church, forecast over the period, is available to view at Appendix 3.</p>	£5824
<p>Routine maintenance costs: (Per annum and exclusive of VAT):</p> <p>These are included in the annualised maintenance costs and are the total cost of two maintenance visits per year. A list of the typical maintenance tasks for any historic church included in the twice-annual maintenance visits is available to view at Appendix 4.</p>	£1200
<p>Other maintenance costs total (Exclusive of VAT):</p> <p>Additional maintenance needs discovered during twice-yearly maintenance visits.</p>	£475
<p>Total medium term repairs:</p> <p>More expensive needs such as roof repairs and tower repairs which may require more involved fundraising and grant applications (costed and listed individually below).</p>	None at present
<p>Total long term repairs:</p> <p>Items which are known to require works in the longer term but which are not essential in the near future (costed and listed individually below).</p>	£70,000-400,000
- Repairs to the pews	£10,000-£50,000
- Ceiling joinery and replaster	£10,000 - £100,000
- Reslating of the nave roof	£50,000 - £250,000
<p>Total desirable repairs:</p> <p>Repairs which are not essential to the conservation health of the church but which might improve aesthetics or usability of the building.</p>	To be confirmed
Installation of toilets – location to be decided	To be confirmed based on design
Bells restoration	Unknown at present

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

Year	Wall Safe	Service Collection	Services Fees	Events	Third Party Hire	Total Income
2023/24	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£25
2022/23	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
2021/22	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

Visitors

Year	Visitors	Wall safe income per visitor
2023/24	£0	Closed to visitors
2022-23	£0	Closed to visitors
2021-22	£0	Closed to visitors

Expenditure

Total spend since vesting (non maintenance): £539,614

Year	Conservation (repair) expenditure	Maintenance expenditure	Utilities expenditure
2023/24	£348,101	£0	£0
2022-23	£167,143	£0	£0
2021-22	£23,884	£0	£0
2020-21	£486	£0	£0

Income less expenditure 2023/24

Not available

(Income from all sources, minus maintenance and conservation expenditure)

Income less annualised maintenance 2023/24 **Not available**

(Income from all sources, minus the annualised maintenance cost, as shown in the Conservation Report section above)

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 1st April 2024

£0

Local Community Officer' s Summary

St Torney has been undergoing a major repairs programme after being vested with the Churches Conservation Trust in 2019. It will open to the public on 19th October 2024. One community open meeting was held in 2022, two were held in 2023 and one in July 2024 to explain the conservation work being carried out and to allow people to visit the church. Once the conservation work is completed the church will be open to the public and available for the community to use.

The village of North Hill has a local pub and a village hall. The village hall, which has regular Committee meetings and is where the Parish Council meet, can accommodate groups of up to 140 people, has a stage for performances, toilets, a kitchen, and a large car park. It is also the venue for an active programme of community activities, clubs and activities, including a table tennis group, a drama group, an arts and craft group, a playgroup and a companions group. The North Hill Local History Group was recently an active group in the village but is currently looking for members to take over the running of the group and website.

St Torney is an impressively large building and as such the annualised maintenance costs are high. Initial meetings with the community where ideas and feedback were gathered showed that people would highly value facilities such as electricity, kitchenette and toilets to permit maximum use of the space for community events and activities. Although the village hall has facilities it is only open when booked for events so facilities at St Torney' s would be accessible to visitors daily.

If it is possible for funds to be raised for toilets and a kitchenette St Torney could make an excellent site for Champing (see Appendix 5). This would help raise the significant funds needed to maintain the church moving forwards.

The next stage for St Torney is to find an active group who are happy to support the re-opening of the church with volunteering and support moving forwards. Help with cleaning and care, emptying the wall safe and maintenance checks as well as a fundraising group who could lead on events and activities (see Appendix 2) would give St Torney the best future. CCT Interpretation will be provided at the site as part of the vesting process following consultations with the community in 2022-24. In addition, one or two people who could offer local history talks and tours of the site would also offer the opportunity to open for events like Heritage Open Day or take tour bookings from local groups. Several community meetings were held with the community in 2024 to chat about volunteering/supporting the church once it opens.

There are many walking routes near the church and other heritage sites and organisations which we could link up with, such as the Jamaica Inn, the National Trust, and Bodmin National Park Authority. The church could also be promoted through inclusion on local walking or cycling routes or heritage trails (e.g trails, information and pilgrimage routes about nearby holy wells, including St Torney's well). North Hill is on the Mary and Michael Pilgrims Way from the tip of Cornwall at Carn Lês Boel via St Michael's Mount to Avebury connecting significant Christian and pre-Christian sites by foot and bike. Walking routes could also be developed which link up with the other nearby CCT churches at Luffincott and Bradstone.

A CCT 3 panel noticeboard and 2 insert will be provided, upon which site specific health and safety and historical information, and details about upcoming events and local information will be displayed. Plus a panel for community use. Brown signage directing visitors to the church would be applied for after the vesting process.

Annually the Local Community Officer would complete regular mandatory checks and actions including annual Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) checks, visual electrical inspections, Fire Risk Assessments and Building and General Risk Assessments at St Torney's. In addition, the church would also receive two maintenance visits per year from CCTs specialist maintenance contractor and a detailed condition report from the allocated Architect.

Part B – Community Feedback 2023

Two community events were held at St Torney's during 2023 at which questionnaires were circulated asking for feedback on how people relate to the church and how it could be used once opened. Fifteen responses were received which can be viewed in Appendix 1. Casual feedback was also requested and has been combined with questionnaire responses to produce the feedback 'Community Ideas for future use of St Torney's' included as Appendix 2.

Part C - Community Recommendations

Community meetings during the vesting works:

As well as several open days at St Torney's during the vesting works, the LCO has had several community meetings in 2024 with people interested in getting involved in being a volunteer at St Torney's or helping plan the re-opening event on October 19th 2024.

On 23rd January about 20 people came along to a gathering at The Old School Inn for people interested in volunteering or supporting the Churches Conservation Trust at St Torney's once it re-opens to the public. The idea of a Christmas gathering in the church with music, mincepies and mulled wine was also discussed and there was interest from people in helping with cleaning, stewarding, fundraising and history tours. The feeling seemed to be that the community are happy for the church to be left open unless there are any problems.

On August 1st 2024 12 people met with the LCO at The Old School Inn to look at plans for the re-opening celebration and events moving forwards. The idea of a group called 'St Torney's Friends' was raised and proved popular and the idea of a bank account to hold a float was discussed. The LCO explained how the community can best support the CCT going forwards by paying in most of the money raised as either restricted to St Torneys or as general funds for the CCT which helps us best

function as a charity. Money can also be raised for specific Community Initiative Projects and paid into the CCT using a specific code. An itinerary for the opening event has pretty much been agreed.

Another reopening event planning meeting was held with the LCO, Heritage Learning Officer (HLO) and the Conservation Projects Manager (CPM) at The Old School Inn on 19th September 2024. About 20 people came and further details were finalised with a whole day of activities planned for the reopening celebration on October 19th 2024.

Update: the opening event had over 100 attendees and was a wonderful celebration of the church and the conservation and repair works which have happened there.

Summary of Community Meeting 29th Nov 24

A Church Plan meeting was held at St Torney' s with the Local Community Officer (LCO), Heritage Learning Officer (HLO) and 8 volunteers/members of the community. Items discussed were:

1. Services & Events

Theatre: The LCO has had requests from two theatre companies to perform at St Torney' s this summer: 20th June for The Tempest and 30th August for Perseus and Andromeda, both evening performances. There were not many attendees at this church plan meeting and no one has yet committed to helping support these events but it was decided to go ahead with them as they would be a great opportunity to bring people into the church and raise money for the CCT.

Services: A Christmas Carol Service is planned for 19th December and it is also hoped that an Easter and a Harvest service will take place. There will be a community clean up before the Christmas service and decorations. The St Mary Magdalene Choir (who performed at the opening event) will be returning.

History Day: A history event was suggested as either a day or several different talks throughout the year. Suggestions were a talk on the Spoure monument and a talk on the social history of the area. The HLO suggested this could get better attendance if it formed part of another local event.

Cana Singers: someone who couldn' t attend the meeting suggested asking the Cana Singers back to perform and there was enthusiasm for this idea.

Arts/Crafts event: A craft fair event was discussed. Possibly getting different makers into the church for a day event in the summer.

2. Interpretation and Learning

The HLO explained her role as focusing 50% on schools and 50% on children/adults/interpretation. The interpretation plan for St Torney' s will be shared with the community.

3. Conservation and maintenance

Conservation do not want beeswax to be used on the pews at St Torneys. There was a query around using it on the lectern though which is very worn at the base. There was also a question around whether the community can paint the new floor in the old vestry area (east end of north aisle).

Part D - Action Plan

The most up to date action plan will be included here setting out agreed short, medium and long term goals for both the Local Community Officer and the Community to support the sustainable use and care of the church.

Community Actions

Short Term Actions (to end June 2024)

- S to investigate history day
- C to explore the idea of an arts day at St Torneys. This may take more shape at the next meeting.
- B to lead on Xmas service and filling in booking form.

Medium Term Actions

- None as yet

Long Term Actions

- None as yet

Actions complete

- B led on Xmas service and filled in booking form.

Local Community Officer Actions

Short Term Actions (to end June 2024)

- Pursue two theatre events
- Ask conservation re using beeswax on lectern and what the situation is with painting the raised wooden platform in the old vestry area.

Medium Term Actions

- None as yet

Long Term Actions

- None as yet

Actions complete

- None as yet

Appendix 1: Results of Summer 2023 St Torney Questionnaire

1. People are involved with our sites in so many different ways. In your own words, please describe your relationship with the church building.

We live adjacent to the church, sharing a boundary wall. It is something we see very close up every time we go into the garden.

An interest in ecclesiastical architecture and living near the church.

Recently moved to the village.

Historical interest.

Primarily was a place of worship for us but it is a building that stands as a historical reminder of village life.

A place to come and sit and reflect.

Admire the focal point, although I consider the tower austere when you come up from Chapel Hill. To come to as a place of peace and quiet reflection. We farm in the village and the tower is a distant feature from many of the fields.

A beautiful part of the fabric of the village.

Married here, daughter christened - has been my church all my life. Primarily though I am interested in its history, design, memorials.

I love to feel the history of the building.

I was a regular church goer. I feel at peace in here.

2. What would you like to see happen in terms of community involvement and other use of the building?

It would be good to see it used for as many things as possible. Suggestions are farmers market, musical concerts, a kitchen so refreshments can be served, a holiday let perhaps in the tower in conjunction with the landmark Trust – this would really put it on the map and might get TV coverage.

Services as required. Concerts. Discussion groups.

Fundraising events for the upkeep of the church ie teas, fete, art exhibitions etc.

Local schools given historical tours. This would hopefully give or spark their interest – they are the future generation.

Would like to see it used for village events, but also perhaps a music festival similar to the church at Endellion at Trelights holds each year when artists perform from everywhere.

Use for village events. Library. Craft workshops. Art exhibitions. "Champing".

Concerts and music, monthly films. The height internally would be brilliant re acoustics. Could a communal choir start here? Flower festivals. Organ playing.

Weddings, funerals and occasional services – Easter, Carol service etc. All manner of community activities – music concerts, art exhibitions, Easter/Christmas market.

I would like to see a committee take on the running of events. We need a person of vision and organisation skills.

Funerals, marriages, Literature Festival, art exhibitions, music gatherings, parties, lectures, talks.

For village activities – e.g. displays, shows, plays etc.

I would like the building to be alive again for the community.

3. What challenges do you anticipate for a sustainable future (where repair liabilities and running costs are met) at St Torney?

Such a large building will have considerable costs. Local people will contribute if a suitable scheme can be found. The [Laitham?] family have previously offered to help pay for maintenance.

The established church excludes a majority of the population. Supporting the building is way beyond people's financial ability.

Funds.

Raising funds.

How do we get funding?

Money.

Lack of commitment, enthusiasm, time, money.

A small village with elderly population. Heating costs, no kitchen, no toilet.

Keeping everyone interested and involved.

Raising money and keeping people interested.

I think huge churches just used for worship are unsustainable but open for community events it could come alive.

4. 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?

This would work better if Coad's Green were also involved. There is a problem at present in that they don't seem to like cooperating at present.

A people's choir. A helpers group for maintenance and gardening.

Art groups could display their work here.

Perhaps a music festival which would attract audiences from further away and would embrace the funding for the future.

Events in the Village Hall..

Local history meetings, films about local places in Devon and Cornwall. A place to buy home made cakes, pickles fortnightly or so.

Working together with the Village Hall.

Local Theatre, art/history groups, children.

May have competition from the Village Hall.

Join forces with the Village Hall and utilise both buildings.

5. Tell us about any ideas or opportunities you can think of for raising additional income at St Torney's

Use for as many things as possible.

Sponsored activities. Tours (paying) of other nearby churches.

Making the church available for private events.

Paid tours.

Perhaps inviting authors or similar to give a lecture combined with poetry readings and /or music. Possibly tribute band evening.

Craft Fairs, Coffee mornings, Concerts, Talks and lectures, Murder Mysteries, Art exhibitions, Book Readings.

Tower tours.

Tourist historical tours. History meetings.

Concerts, book festivals, café, lunch club.

Organise another talk by Jo Maddingley and she suggested to me an [armorials?], glass of wine etc – happy to organise an event.

Meetings for discussions/debates.

Invite musicians of any genre to perform here.

6. Is there anything else you'd like to share about your interest in the church which we haven't asked you already?

History group are researching those who reside in the graveyard.

Would just like to see the church open and used as a community space.

Use noticeboard – don't do email – only knew about today through speaking to someone.

I'd love to learn to ring church bells.

Lots of the history.

A place to sit and contemplate.

It's an important part of our heritage and I would be sad...

Appendix 2: Community Ideas for future use of St Torney' s
Gathered at community events during 2023



Appendix 3: Typical Maintenance Tasks Forecast - 25 Years

The list below gives examples of items that CCT needs to maintain in its churches. Some items on this list will not relate to this church but give guidance as to the typical items we cover. These estimations are based on the cost in 2020, please note we are not able to predict inflation costs and therefore these are not included.

A specific report is created for each church every nine years by an experienced and trained building inspector. This details the repair needs of the building and lists the repairs required according to their priority. Please contact your Local Community Officer if you wish to see this report.

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

The **total cost over 25 years** for this example of a typical church is **£107,598.57** (exc. VAT)

The **average yearly cost** for this example of a typical church is **£4303.94** (exc VAT)

Appendix 4: 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.

Appendix 5: 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	2021	2022
Langport, Somerset	£10,47	£2,766	£3,810	£3,128	£7,748	£4,938
Emborough, Somerset	/	£2,024	£1,378	£2,625	£5,270	/
Chiselhampton, Oxfordshire	£10,156	£2,696	£5,864	£1,705	/	/
Wolfhamcote, Warwickshire	/	£3,001	£2,214	£1,624	£4,763	£5,924
Holme Lacy, Herefordshire	/	£4,369	£4,759	£1,004	£7,501	£4,144
TOTAL	£20,628	£14,856	£18,025	£10,086	£25,282	£15,006