

GRAYSHOTT VILLAGE 2 CHURCH APPEAL



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As residents and businesses in Grayshott you will be aware of the beautiful building that sits proudly and majestically in the heart of our village. Its presence is of great value and helps to create a wonderful village ambience for you and our many visitors to enjoy.

You do not have to be a church goer to appreciate the contribution that St Luke's Church makes to village life both in terms of community service and its architecture.

Many people find comfort and assurance in seeing the church on a daily basis.

It is especially attractive when it is illuminated at night.

As a community we are indebted to previous generations for constructing, managing and preserving this heritage and it has been passed to us for safekeeping. The ongoing cost of maintaining St Luke's church building is high. This cost burden currently falls on the generosity of a small number of people and is becoming difficult to finance.

The Village2Church appeal has been set up to ask residents, businesses and village groups to help by donating money on a regular basis to assist with the upkeep of the Church building.

We know this is a 'big ask' but we believe that it is fair to share some of the overheads and responsibilities with the village community. With your support we can successfully maintain the building for the benefit of the whole community and preserve it for future generations to enjoy and appreciate.

'It takes a whole village to raise a child', says a well-known African proverb. We believe that it takes a whole village to keep a church going!

Your response form

Please help to keep St Luke's Church at the heart of the village by responding to the Village2Church Appeal.

Name

Address

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Email

Phone

I would like to make a monthly donation of £
to keep St Luke's Church going for the whole village to enjoy,
or

I am unable to make a commitment to give regularly but I
would like to make a donation of £

I am a UK taxpayer and I give permission for my donation to be
'Gift Aided'. (This adds 25% to the value of your donation.)

Signature:

Date:

Please fill in this form and then send it in an envelope marked
'V2C Appeal/Confidential' to: St Luke's Church Office, Headley
Road, Grayshott GU26 6LF (To find an electronic version of this
leaflet follow the Village2Church Appeal link on the front page
of the St Luke's Church website. (<http://www.stlukes-grayshott.org>)
Any money coming in will be handled confidentially by the
church's Stewardship Officer.

If you'd like to discuss this appeal with the vicar, Jeremy Haswell
please contact the church office - 01428 606703 or
email: office@stlukes-grayshott.org

Some Facts about St Luke's Church, Grayshott

- ◆ The church was built in the 'English Gothic' style and made of locally sourced Bargate stone.
- ◆ The foundation stone was laid on 30 July 1898 and the first service was held on Sunday 17 September 1899 even though the interior of the church was not fully completed.
- ◆ Edward Blakeway l'Anson was the architect of the church. His father, Edward l'Anson, was also an architect and well known for buildings like the museum and library at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London.
- ◆ The internationally famous writer, Arthur Conan Doyle built a house for himself and his family in Hindhead (Undershaw) and that is why Louise his first wife, Kingsley his son and Mary Josephine his mother are buried in the churchyard.
- ◆ During the first world war, the church bell was rung at noon each day as a signal for villagers to remember 'the men who were fighting their country's battles'.

(For more information please look on the Grayshott Village Archive:
<http://www.grayshott-archive.org.uk>)