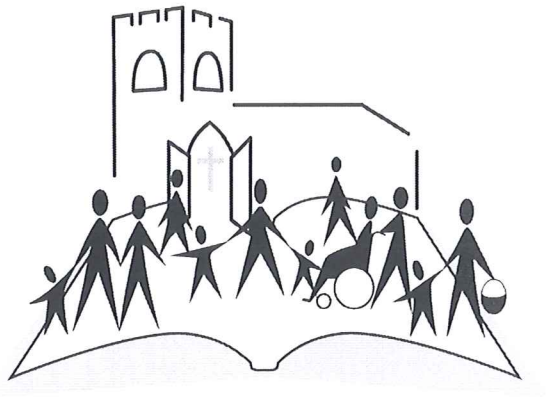


St Lawrence's Church . Biddulph

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Design and Access Statement

St. Lawrence's Parochial Church Council wishes to erect two church noticeboards in the churchyard outside St. Lawrence's Church, Biddulph. One of these is to replace a noticeboard of the same size that stood in the same location; the second is a new noticeboard.

The purpose of both noticeboards is to identify the church as St. Lawrence's, and to provide details of our Sunday services and contact information to people passing the church on the main A527 into and out of Biddulph.

We have sought the advice of three separate sign companies who offered designs and quotations. All agreed that there is no single location on which we could erect a single new board that would be visible to passers-by in both directions. Possible sites to position a board are limited by the location of graves, gravestones, trees and a stone archway.

The previous noticeboard was well located and clearly visible to traffic travelling north out of Biddulph. It was however invisible to traffic travelling south into Biddulph. Our proposal is therefore to replace this previous board, but to erect a second smaller board angled to face the other way on the opposite side of the main stone archway.. The plans and photographs indicate the proposed locations of the replacement board and the new board.

A resolution has been passed by St. Lawrence's Parochial Church Council to authorise both new noticeboards, and funding has been made available. Written permission has been obtained from the Archdeacon of Stoke. The previous board whose posts rotted at the end of last year has been recycled. On receipt of planning permission City Signs would produce the new boards according to the designs enclosed.

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