



Linslade  
Community Hall Newsletter,  
bringing you the latest news of the  
Community Hall Restoration and  
associated events.

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## **PCC ADDS VITAL SUPPORT!**

Following a Parochial Church Council Meeting on January 27th 2011, it was agreed that the Council would underwrite the present funding gap in the Restoration Fund to enable the Fund to reach the half-way mark.

This means that the amount of money raised or promised, now stands at £100,000, half of the minimum amount required for the final stage of building work to take place.

The committee is therefore now in a position to apply for major grants of £50,000, and if successful will enable the project to commence completion this year.

All our efforts are now concentrated on achieving a successful outcome to our applications in the next few months.

However.....

These grants can be any amount up to £50,000, and as a demonstration of local support we are obliged to contribute 10% of the total in match-funding from our own community.

To satisfy the rules we cannot take the money from the funds we already hold.

Consequently whilst a single donation of £5,000 from one individual would be ideal we would happily "broker" an arrangement whereby several separate individuals contribute together different sums to make up the £5000.



Eroded stonework on the south wall of the Hall.

If you feel that you could help with this part of our applications, please speak to Dave Darvill on 371836 or Jo Thomson on 381350, in, of course, the strictest confidence.

### *The Hall Toilets:*

Essential repairs are currently to be carried out on the Hall toilets as the condition of the drains is rapidly deteriorating.

The work is now in progress and the original toilets are out of bounds until the work is finished.

In the meantime, the Disabled toilet in the Link is of course, still available.

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### *Fundraising and Donations:*

Since the last update and up until the 3rd of March, the Restoration Fund has received the following amounts towards the Phase II Restoration.

Donations from individuals totalling £865.

Fundraising Activities have yielded a further £1108.

We have also received a donation of £1500 from a regular Hall User group, which is most welcome.

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### *Upcoming Events:*

**Grand Union Community Choir** is having a concert in St Barnabas Church on Saturday 19th March.

The Concert is from 7pm 'till 10pm, with refreshments in the Hall.

Tickets available from Room 9 in the High Street, Leighton Buzzard.

The **Tapas Evening** is back by popular demand a repeat of the hugely popular Tapas Evening.

Come and enjoy a touch of Spain!  
Saturday 4th June at 7.00pm.

The evening will start with Spanish appetisers and Tapas, for you to enjoy.

You will also be treated to a selection of flamenco music and dance by the talented Tomas Jimenez, renowned flamenco guitarist, and Maria Jose Garcia, flamenco dancer.

Tickets at £10.00 each available from:  
Nick Moore on 01525 374473.



Signs of Spring just showing through.

Further information on any of these items or the Hall Restoration can be obtained by contacting:  
Dave Darvill 01525 371836, Jo Thomson 01525 381350 or check our website:  
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## ***Our Vision: Putting the Community at the heart of what we do***

“Linslade Community Hall seeks to become the centre of the community of Linslade and a resource for the wider area of Leighton-Linslade”

Our Aims are to:

- Foster activities that reduce social isolation.
- Offer an affordable accessible social meeting place.
- Nurture a community spirit and to be a focus for community pride.
- Be an economically viable but non-profit making facility.