

**Application for Financial Assistance (Historic Buildings Grants) from the Conservation and Heritage Fund**

**All Saints' Church, Madeley (Ref: 16/17003/HBG)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the Working Party indicate its views on proposals going to the Planning Committee that:-**

**A grant of £1,122, be approved for repointing and stonework repairs to All Saints' Church, Madeley, subject to the appropriate standard conditions**

**Purpose of report**

To inform the Working Party of an application for financial assistance towards the cost of the repair of this structure which is a Grade I Listed Building and give the Working Party an opportunity to express its views on that application.

All Saints' Church, Madeley is a Grade I Listed Church within the centre of Madeley Conservation Area. Built from pink ashlar sandstone with tile and lead roofs, the church has 12<sup>th</sup> century origins but was remodelled in 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries and restored in 1872.

The tower (14<sup>th</sup> century) underwent high level repointing and stonework repairs in 2016 following a five yearly survey in 2014. Funds for this work were raised through the Parochial Church Council and local donations. The Church now requires the low level repairs and repointing to the stonework to be completed and the Church is asking for assistance towards the cost of the next phase of repairs. The work has been specified and tendered by a conservation accredited architect and your Conservation Officer is satisfied that the work is necessary and it is appropriate to support the grant.

The total cost of the works plus professional fees is estimated at £ 5,610 excluding VAT (which is recoverable). The works are eligible for grant up to 20% of the total cost.

The views of the Conservation Advisory Working Party will be reported to the Planning Committee.

**Financial Implications**

There is sufficient funding to meet this grant application with £33,000 in the Fund allowing for commitments.