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Dear Mrs Slator

**Erith, Christ Church (Diocese of Rochester)
Conservation of wall painting (Martyrdom of St Alban), by Ward & Hughes (1908)**

Your application for grant aid was carefully considered at the recent meeting of the Paintings and Wall Paintings Committee.

I am pleased to inform you that a grant of up to £3,500 has been awarded towards the conservation of the wall paintings by Arte Conservation in accordance with their report and specification. This award is made with the following conditions:

- that repairs to the roof and rainwater goods are undertaken, before the conservation work,
- that the conservator provides more detailed information on the method of re-adhesion of the canvas,
- that the parish should follow advice provided by the Church Buildings Council, which will be asked to comment on the proposals as part of the faculty process.

If you wish to accept this offer you should return the enclosed acceptance form within two months of the date of this letter. I also enclose a list of conditions for grants and I would recommend that you study this carefully.

This grant should be claimed within two years of the date of this letter. Payments are made upon submission of the conservator's invoice for the works together with a copy of the post-conservation treatment report, which must be prepared by the contractor in accordance with our guidelines. I enclose a copy of our guidelines for the preparation of post-conservation treatment reports and I would suggest you forward this to the contractor at this stage. Please note that it is the responsibility of the parish to ensure that the conservator is aware of the general and specific conditions of the grant.

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We will be interested in your progress with this project and we will contact you at regular intervals for an informal update.

If you need any further advice or clarification on the conditions of this grant offer, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

John Webster

cc Sarah Anderson, DAC Secretary
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