

Emails from Architect George Chedburn on solar power

I think these proposals look good.

As your church isn't listed and is outside the conservation area you are unlikely to need planning permission. However, your proposed contractor can confirm/deal with this.

I would be happy to support your application and would recommend that you get this submitted as soon as possible.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

I have your QI report on my desk and I aim to get this issued within the next fortnight.

kind regards

George

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Subject: St Francis Solar Panel and heating system [Filed 04 Jun 2024 15:29]

Dear Mr Chedburn

We are still planning the heating installation at St Francis Church in Keynsham, we did have a company whose product looked suitable but when we did a site visit it raised some serious concerns. We are therefore going with another company - it's the same system radiant panels.

In our discussions we have also been researching solar power as we are moving from gas to an electric solution, as part of the research we have had a free carbon footprint survey carried out by WECA who have funding for schemes that reduce carbon emissions. We have had quotes from two firms and are minded to go with a local firm in Bath - Infinity.

As this will require a faculty would be willing to give permission.

I enclose

The details of the scheme

Carbin footprint report

We are still awaiting the Quinquennial report for the church - when will this be ready?

Martin Burton

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St Francis Church

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Date: 26/04/2023 12:58:20

Subject: RE: Faculty for a change of heating

To: r.cook68@gmail.com

Good morning Robert

I know Simon well and also the radiant heating system that he has been looking at. Like all heating systems – such installations have their pros and cons.

These systems are not new but are becoming popular for use in intermittently heated spaces because they are relatively cheap to install and not too expensive to run. The only downside is that the heat generated is what I would call low quality heat as the units tend to heat your head more than the rest of your body (in a perfect world your head would be 2 degrees cooler than your feet). In addition, as the units do not heat the fabric, it is important that the space is well ventilated after use to reduce the risk of condensation.

In your situation I can see that infra red radiant heating could suit you well – particularly in the church, as it is likely to be poorly insulated and only used from time to time. In areas that are in daily use, it may be better to retain your gas boiler and radiators.

So in short, you have my support for this proposal.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss the next steps.

Kind regards

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Subject: Faculty for a change of heating

Dear Mr Chedburn,

I am advised that you are the appointed architect for St Francis Church, Keynsham.

For some time we have been concerned about the inadequacy of the heating within the church itself and have had a number of grumbles from user groups as well as church members.

We have explored several options as you will see from the attached report to the DCC and PCC.

After meeting with an architect member of St Matthew's Kingsdown, Simon Pugh-Jones, we were demonstrated an electrical system using non-visible spectrum infra red heat which impressed us. Although this is not the cheapest option we believe it is the best as well as the greener option and the DCC have agreed that, subject to the relevant approvals, we would like to try to raise the funds for it.

Part of that process is to obtain a faculty which the PCC has agreed for us to proceed with but, as part of that process, I understand that we need to seek your views and, ideally, approval.

Simon Pugh-Jones is also the head of Bristol Diocese DAC and would be happy to speak to Bath and Wells DAC on our behalf if needed as he has pioneered this system and is committed to getting churches to go green. If you would like to contact him directly his email is simon@ashstudios.co.uk.

If you need any more details I will do my best to provide them.

Regards,

Robert Cook

St Francis DCC and Parish PCC member