

Wilmslow St Bartholomew – AV - Correspondence with parish

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28/03/2024 To: Jackie Watts From: Caroline Hilton	DAC Advice I am writing to let you know that at its meeting of 22 March 2024, the DAC considered the proposals for the two TV screens and it wished to offer the following feedback: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. The parish needed to provide a Statement of Needs, to explain the reasoning for the proposed arrangement and how it would all work togetherb. It queried whether the parish intend to retain the existing large projector screen (and if it is being retained, what the purpose of the west facing TV screen would be)c. It queried whether the east facing TV screen would be large enough for those in the choir space to be able read text clearly on itd. It wondered if the parish had considered whether their needs could be addressed by having portable TV screens on wheels rather than fixede. It queried the link to laptop via Wifi, noting that this would be OK if was to one screen but was not sure what would be used to allow a link to both. It therefore asked for clarification/more details of this.f. It noted that it is essential that the fixing detail and cables etc do not damage the historic masonry/fabric in so far as is possible as ultimately this technology will become redundant and require removal and replacement in the relatively near future when compared to the history and life of the church building. It felt that the proposed clamping system appears a little crude and it suggested the parish consider alternative options (for example the clamping system used at Grappenhall St Wilfrid, please see attached pdf that shows this example).g. The Church Architect should be involved if they have not been already <p>With regards to point (a), on the Online Faculty System I have now made the Statement of Needs and Statement of Significance template forms available on the screen for your faculty application. So, you can either fill in those forms directly on the Online Faculty System or create your own Statement of Need and Statement of Significance and upload it with the other supporting documents. (My apologies if you have received a few automated messages from the Online Faculty System caused while I was working on your application).</p> <p>If you have any queries please do let me know.</p> <p>The next DAC meeting is on 24 May 2024 (with the submissions deadline being 10 May).</p>

<p>21/02/2025</p> <p>To: Jackie Watts From: Caroline Hilton</p>	<p>I am writing to let you know that, in advance of the DAC meeting on 28 February, the latest documents you had submitted have been reviewed by the Audio-Visual Adviser and he has just raised one point. He has commented that he is very concerned about the Aimibo wireless HDMI proposal, he notes the reviews on Amazon are very mixed, and that this seems to be a domestic product?</p> <p>If you can let me know your response to this point I can include that when the proposals are discussed by the DAC at its meeting next Friday.</p>
<p>24/02/2025</p> <p>To: Caroline Hilton From: Jackie Watts</p> <p>With attachment</p>	<p>Dear Caroline - thank you for letting us know - we are very keen to progress with this project to meet the needs of our growing congregation.</p> <p>The equipment specified has been tested here and seems serviceable, however we recognise that cable connections are likely to be more stable and reliable. We also have fixed cables (which were installed in the re-ordering of 2013) and the project could also operate using these connections rather than radio. We have modified the project specification document with the addition of an addendum covering this modification. I don't seem able to replace the existing document in the Faculty system, so the revised version is attached. The addendum reads as follows:-</p> <p><i>"Addendum added 21/2/25</i></p> <p><i>An alternative implementation of this project would utilise the set of cables installed as part of the re-ordering of 2013. This includes data cables to specification 'Cat5' running from the AV cabinet located at the West end of the church to the electrical floor box close to the pillar in Fig. 1. Use of a cable connection would facilitate the following configurations:-</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Laptop located at the West end to generate video to be sent to the new screens via HDMI/ethernet convertors at each end. This laptop would also drive the existing projector and AV system for sound.</i> <i>• Laptop located on the lectern close to the pillar indicated in Fig 1, generating video to drive the new screens, and transmitting video and audio to the AV cabinet at the West end via HDMI/ethernet convertors.</i> <p><i>The existing floor boxes are large enough to accommodate the necessary interface equipment and already have electrical power. We have not obtained the required signal interface equipment, but have been advised by our AV provider that such equipment is readily available at an estimated cost of £250. No changes to the proposed work are required, and the proposed cable trunking can accommodate additional cables from the floor box to the new screens.</i></p> <p><i>The mode of operation of the system using the cabled configurations would be as anticipated originally, but would restrict the laptop position – this is regarded as acceptable. When located at the front of church on the lectern the laptop would require a temporary ethernet cable connection to the floor box with the associated concerns over creation of a trip hazard. The cable will only be in place during a service and, as the lectern is located</i></p>

	<p><i>very close to the floor box, the length of cable can be minimal and trip hazards avoided."</i></p> <p>I trust that this answers your concerns but if we can provide any additional information please get back to me.</p> <p>1. Support Document for Faculty - Version 4</p>
<p>27/02/2025</p> <p>To: Jackie Watts From: Caroline Hilton</p>	<p>Thank you for your response. I will relay this to the AV Adviser, and to the DAC meeting tomorrow.</p>
<p>05/03/2025</p> <p>To: Jackie Watts From: Caroline Hilton</p>	<p>I am writing to let you know that at its meeting of 28 February 2025, the DAC considered the information you had provided in response to its previous feedback, and it resolved to recommend the scheme [for the purpose of the Measure, the works are unlikely to result in a material effect], with the following provisos:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The fixings and cable run arrangement to be agreed with the Church Architect as is the usual requirement Any electrical works should be carried out by an electrical contractor accredited with the NICEIC or ECA, to the standards recommended in the Churchcare "Guidance Note: Electrical Wiring Installations in Churches" available via https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2018-11/CCB_Electrical-wiring-installations-in-churches_Apr-2013.pdf <p>This means I can raise the Notification of Advice so that you can start the display of public notices. As I am currently working through a high volume of casework, there will be a pause before I am able to carry this out, but I will let you know as soon as this has been done so that the application can be progressed.</p> <p>If you have any queries please do let me know.</p>