<u>ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT - May 2018</u>

As in previous years I would first like to record our thanks for the support from the Parish Council with churchyard mowing during the past year and for providing the church illumination during the winter months. Also I would again like to record our thanks to Oliver Cooper for providing parking space for special occasions and services.

As you will be aware Gt Bricett is one of a group of 8 parishes extending from Battisford to Somersham all under the care of Rev Dan Harrison since 2016. As such we have one regular service of communion on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Other special occasional services are also held with details in the Parish magazine not to mention the enthusiastic support for our Christmas carol singing.

Shortly after the last PC AGM we were successful in being awarded a 1st round grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the urgently needed roof repairs to the church building. This is for us to investigate fully the works needed and we are now on the point of submitting a 2nd round application to HLF for £78,900 towards the cost of these works. Also included will be a number of activities to encourage more people to engage with the heritage of our extraordinary building. This part has been strongly inspired by Oliver Cooper's research project into the History of the Priory.

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