ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT - May 2019

Can I first record thanks from the PCC for the support from the Parish Council with churchyard mowing during the past year and for providing the church illumination during the winter months. We are also again grateful to Oliver Cooper for providing parking space for special occasions and services.

Gt Bricett is one of a group of 8 parishes extending from Battisford to Somersham all under the care of Rev Dan Harrison. 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 with particular mention for the enthusiastic support for our Christmas carol singing.

Our second round application to HLF last May was successful resulting in a grant of £82,200. Suffolk Historic Churches Trust have also given £10,000 and we are contributing £6000 from other funds including the village roof appeal. Repairs to the roof and internal structure started in mid-march and are on the point of finishing. The final section of roof is now planned to be repaired in September and there is also work on the drains still to be done. We are planning to have the path resurfaced during the summer. There will also be activities to encourage more people to engage with the heritage of our extraordinary building drawing inspiration from Oliver Cooper's research project into the History of the Priory.

Arland Shawe-Taylor Churchwarden