

Repairs and Maintenance Update:

- 12) The new boiler and radiators have now been installed at a cost of £12,240.00. Unfortunately it is not possible to reclaim the VAT included in this cost.
- 13) The old radiators were sold to Edinburgh Architectural Salvage yard and realised £240.00 and the old pipework £70.00 for scrap.
Further funds should be realised from the scrap value of the other radiators and the old boiler in the next few weeks.
- 14) At some point cosmetic work will be required to repair and repaint the skirting boards and the area behind the new radiators.
The area where the new boiler work is on view in the sacristy will also require to be boxed in. Claire will ask joiners for a quote for this work. There is also a need for a draught excluder at the front door because of the gap.
- 15) Claire submitted an invoice for work on the sacristy sink. Mike Little suggested that there may still be a drainage problem and mentioned getting Border Jet to run a camera down the pipe to ascertain if the problem might be old lead pipework. However Father Basil said that it may be an old 'sacrist', a soak-away for letting the remains of washing up water, after the washing of church vessels, to be returned to the earth. In either case, an investigation is needed because the new condenser boiler makes it necessary to have a drain.
Permission was given for Claire to arrange a visit by Border Jet at the cost of £120.00.
- 16) Claire has started the process of investigating the possibility of achieving a Heritage Lottery Grant, a) by contacting Jean Robertson, Lottery Liaison Officer at SBC, for her advice; Getting a 'guessimate' quote of probable cost = £125000.00; registering online with the Heritage Lottery and downloading the Notes of Guidance; and asking Father Basil to ask Paul Randall to come and give us advice and guidance (arranged for Tuesday 28th May).
- 17) Mr Murray, who checked the roof recently, has submitted a quote to improve the poor work, done previously by others, of the two roof lights in the presbytery at a cost of £200 each. Claire will contact Mr Murray and give him permission to undertake the work when possible.