

St.MARGARET'S CHURCH ORGAN RESTORATION
MANAGING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

29th August 2005

As we have now had the report from Harrison & Harrison, the sub-committee met to review both reports (Gwynn & Goetze and Harrison & Harrison) in detail and consider all options for moving ahead with a programme. The PCC agreed that we should go ahead with applying for grants for restoration work on the organ. We have contacted Nicholas Thistlewaite and he has prepared to offer his services as our organ advisor for our fund raising applications.

Six applications have been made to various grant bodies so far:-

- * Council for the Care of Churches – positive, sent application form. They require DAC approval.
- * The Pilling Trust Fund - Rejected
- * The Diapason Trust – not responded yet
- * Foundation Sports Arts – positive, sent application form
- * Arts Council England – Rejected, suggested trying Heritage Lottery Fund
- * National Heritage – positive, sent application form for November selection. They also require DAC approval.

We have also applied to DAC for approval ready for submitting our applications before November. They have given us approval for either scheme. We need to display notices on our board declaring our intentions. The Council for the Care of Churches will be visiting our Church on 7th September to inspect the organ in our Church and also to discuss our views on the restoration.