**Standard document list for Faculty applications**

All applications are being processed through the [Online Faculty System](https://facultyonline.churchofengland.org/). You must be registered before you can start, amend, or receive updates on any application. Instruction manuals on how to register and then start an application can be found on the Online Faculty System website.

Below is a list of standard documents that are required for a faculty submission. This list represents the minimum amount of information required for an application and as each application is different further, more specific, information may be required. If you are unsure as to what information may be needed, please contact the Church Buildings Team.

When uploading documents please ensure files are named in such a way that it is easy to identify what they are. Accepted file formats are; Word, PDF and Jpeg.Outlook emails (*.msg*) and Apple formats (*.pages)* cannot be read by staff and must be converted before uploading. It is important that files are readable and of a high quality. Multiple images should be combined and annotated in a single document for ease of access. If you have any questions, please contact the Church Buildings Team at DAC@salisbury.anglican.org

* Standard Information Form
	+ This is pre-populated for you from the Church Heritage Record when you start your application online, but it is important that you check this information is correct and amend as appropriate. Especially the Inspecting Architect’s details
* Statement of Significance
	+ This should give the history of the church and should be focused on the area of the church the proposals relate to.
	+ Any Statement of Significance should have a detailed assessment of the significance of the area affected and the proposals’ potential impact.
	+ Please see the guidance from the Church Buildings Council [here.](https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/CCB_Statements-of-significance-and-needs.pdf)
	+ Further guidance can be found on the Historic England Website [here](https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/caring-for-heritage/places-of-worship/making-changes-to-your-place-of-worship/principles-for-making-changes/assessing-significance/).
* Statement of Needs
	+ This should explain the current situation of the church but should also detail how the church is to benefit from the proposals. This is the ‘sales pitch’ so to speak so please don’t be tempted to skip this part, even if it does seem obvious. The key is to assume the reader knows nothing of your church.
	+ Please see the guidance from the Church Buildings Council [here.](https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2022-02/CCB_Statements-of-significance-and-needs.pdf)
* Further Images
	+ Images are a good way of showing elements in detail but also aspects in context.
	+ They help the DAC, amenity societies and Chancellor to better assess the proposals as it is likely that they may not have ever visited the church.
	+ Plans of the church ***or*** churchyard annotated as necessary is also useful to gain contextual information.
* Specification/quotation for works
	+ These should detail what work is being carried out and what materials are being used.
	+ Any contractor should be suitably qualified.
* PCC Minutes
	+ It is important to evidence the PCC’s agreement for all works.
	+ This can be done out of committee virtually or via email, compiling the responses in a word document and uploading to the application.
	+ An extract of the relevant minute and outcome of the vote is fine.
* Architect’s and Surveyor’s Advice Form
* It is important that the Inspecting Architect is made aware of any works to the church and is given an opportunity to comment on the proposals should they wish.
* It should not cost the PCC anything for the standard form to be filled out, but any further advice is likely to be chargeable and we advise speaking to your architect about this.
* Please note that this form is not needed for works that do not affect the church building.
* A template of the letter should accompany this.
* Correspondence with church insurer (Advisory)
	+ This is to ensure the church remains insured throughout the works and is not a claim on the insurance.
	+ This is usually done by email, uploading the response to the application.
	+ If you intend to do this at a later date, please say so in writing and we can upload this to the application.
	+ Please note any conditions given by your insurer should be followed during the work.
* CDM (Construction, Design and Management) Regulations (Strongly advised)
	+ Any works require the necessary health and safety measures to be in place. This is ultimately the responsibility of the PCC. If there is more than one contractor during works a principal contractor must be appointed.
	+ Please speak to your contractor or Inspecting Architect for further details on this.
	+ Whilst specific documents do not need to be added to the application uploading confirmation from the PCC that they are aware of their requirements is advisable.

Further guidance on a wide range of aspects regarding churches can be found on the Church Buildings Council website which can be accessed [here](https://www.salisbury.anglican.org/supportforparishes/care-of-church-buildings-and-churchyards/).