St John's Church, Sharow

Using the Church for evangelism and work with young people

Revd Ruth Newton



Award Winning Biodiverse Churchyard

Managed for ecological diversity for over 30 years

Won Archbishop of Canterbury Millennium Award

Highly Commended in Church Times Green Award 2017

County Wildlife Site (SINC status)



Special Features

MG5 Grassland
Medaow Saxifrage
Yellow Rattle
Ladies bedstraw
Good Friday Grass.
Wild Orchids

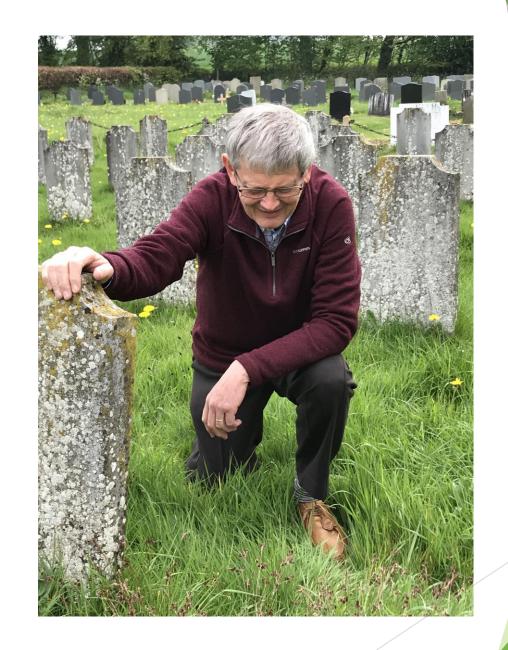


Deputy Warden (Churchyards)

Responsible for maintenance

Workload is on average 2 hours per day.

Meets about 10 people a day.



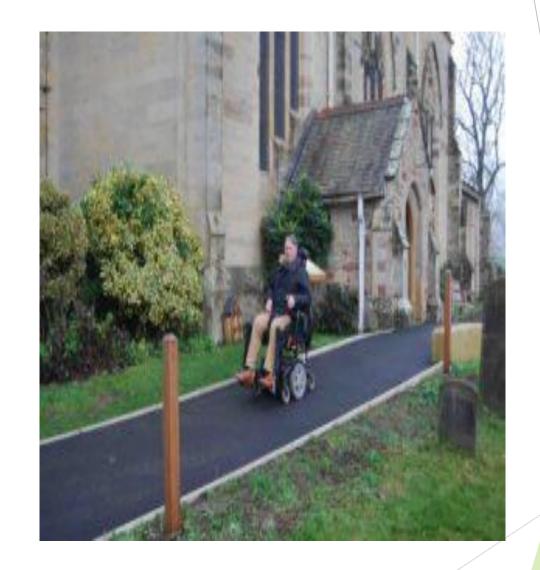
Church has received half a million pound from Heritage Lottery Funding

Despite being only 190 years old

Built Car park

Made Disabled Access to Church and Churchyard.

Reorder and Restored Church



Heritage Learning Officer

Maximise Visitor Numbers with particular reference to heritage.

£8000 per year

Worked to create connections

Organised schools days, Cherish your churchyard days



Partnerships

Nosterfield Wildlife
Site
York University
Open Country
Caring for God's Acre



Silhouette Soldiers

Temporary Instalations Increased footfall by 300%

Increased attendance at Remembrance activities

Cost Neutral



Cherish your Churchyard Week

Bat Talk
Moth Counts
Scything workshops

School Visits

Visits from people with learning disabilities



Volunteering Opportunities



Eco-Church Award





What next?

Seeking funding of £8000 a year to fund an

Environmental Learning Officer.

Co-ordinate Volunteering Opportunities

Promote Churchyard





