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Dear Mr Watkinson,

Please find attached our advice on the following site -

St Mary's Church, Kirkgate, Whaplode, PE12 6TA  
Application No(s):H23-0158-25

Yours sincerely,

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14 March 2025

Dear Mr Watkinson

**T&CP (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015  
& Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990**

**ST MARY'S CHURCH, KIRKGATE, WHAPLODE, PE12 6TA  
Application No. H23-0158-25**

Thank you for your letter of 3 March 2025 regarding the above application for planning permission. On the basis of the information available to date, we offer the following advice to assist your authority in determining the application.

**Historic England Advice**

The proposal seeks to replace the south aisle lead roof covering with terne coated stainless steel, due to failure of the existing lead roof covering causing water ingress in several places, plus its susceptibility to theft.

Further to our pre-application advice of 18 December 2022, Historic England would have no objection to the proposed replacement as outlined in plans.

However, the submitted Heritage Impact Assessment refers to carrying out 'any necessary timber (and masonry) replacement and repairs' that are discovered in the process of removing the existing lead sheeting. If investigations reveal the need for works of this kind, full details would be required and should be provided prior to the commencement of any works.

**Recommendation**

Historic England has no objection to the application on heritage grounds.

We consider that the application for the replacement of the south aisle roof covering with terne coated stainless steel meets the requirements of the NPPF, in particular paragraph numbers 210, 212 and 213 by preventing further water ingress.

In determining this application you should bear in mind the statutory duty of section



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66(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 to have special regard to the desirability of preserving listed buildings or their setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest which they possess.

Your authority should take these representations into account in determining the application. If there are any material changes to the proposals, or you would like further advice, please contact us.

Yours sincerely

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