

St Gwenfaen's Church – Improved Access

We are delighted to announce that work will commence shortly on the rebuilding of the steps into the churchyard, as well as the resurfacing of the path from the top of the steps up to the porch.

St Gwenfaen's Committee wish to thank everyone for their patience and support while we have sought an alternative way to resolve the problem of making our church more accessible and safer.

Planning approval by Anglesey County Council is expected shortly & we plan to start work in January – to be complete the work by the end of March 2019.

The money raised prior to 2015, including the Sing for St Gwenfaen's event in 2013 and the Craft Show in 2014 & totalling £4,049 will be used towards the actual build costs.

Once it became clear we could not obtain a Faculty (formal permission from Bangor Diocese) to build on land that did not belong to the church, the committee ring fenced the money raised. Members of the Rhoscolyn community, including members of our congregation, had also voiced concern about our plans for disabled access and the major impact on the environment.

Since 2015 we have looked at a couple of other ideas to build disabled access, including using some Verney land at the south side. However, the overall build costs would be too expensive, as the requirement for an archaeological dig could not be fully costed. This could increase the overall cost beyond our capacity to raise the funds needed. All architect fees for new drawings have been paid for via funds raised since 2015.

We look forward to the work starting and being able to provide safer access to our church.

St Gwenfaen's Church Committee
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