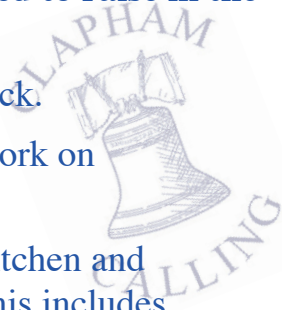


## *What do we need?*

**Altogether we will need to raise in the region of £80,000.**

- £4,000 for the clock.
- £30,000 for the work on the bells.
- £45,000 for the kitchen and toilet facilities. This includes the cost of bringing water into the church.



## *How can you help?*

- Support the events we are going to hold to raise funds.
- Give us your ideas for fund-raising events.
- Help us spread the word, including to ex Clapham residents wherever they may be, and ask for their help.
- If you wish to give a donation, make sure it is gift-aided if you are a tax payer. This will give us an extra 28p for every pound donated.
- Help us make sure the improvements are in line with the needs of the whole community.
- Tell us how you may be able to use the improved facilities. This will help us when we apply for grants.

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# Church of Saint James Clapham North Yorkshire



# Tower Project

## *Why are we having a project which concentrates upon the Tower?*

- The tower is the oldest part of the Church. It is probably about 600 hundred years old.
- Parts of the tower are now in need of repair to preserve it for future generations. These include the wooden bell frame, some of the supporting timbers and some parts of the wooden floors.
- There has never been a supply of running water or basic kitchen facilities inside the church. We need to upgrade the facilities in order to be able to continue to stage larger events such as concerts and to host village groups who need a bigger venue.
- With improved facilities we hope that the church can continue to play its active part in village life.



## *What we are intending to do?*

- We are going to electrify the winding mechanism of the clock, so that it no longer needs to be wound by hand on a weekly basis. This has caused wear on the mechanism and is a difficult and dangerous job. It will also give us more space in the tower.
- We are going to install a new bell frame with an increased ring of six bells. We will keep the three old bells (the earliest of which dates from 1594) and have been lucky enough to procure three more bells at very little cost.
- We will replace some of the wooden floors, retaining the old timber where possible, and install a new ringing floor.
- We will install a toilet suitable for use by people of all abilities.
- We will install a new kitchen with sink, work surfaces and cupboard space.

