

- Insulation
- Inclusive design
- A usable sports hall
- Modernised toilets and showers
- New rooms and flexible meeting spaces
- An inviting entrance

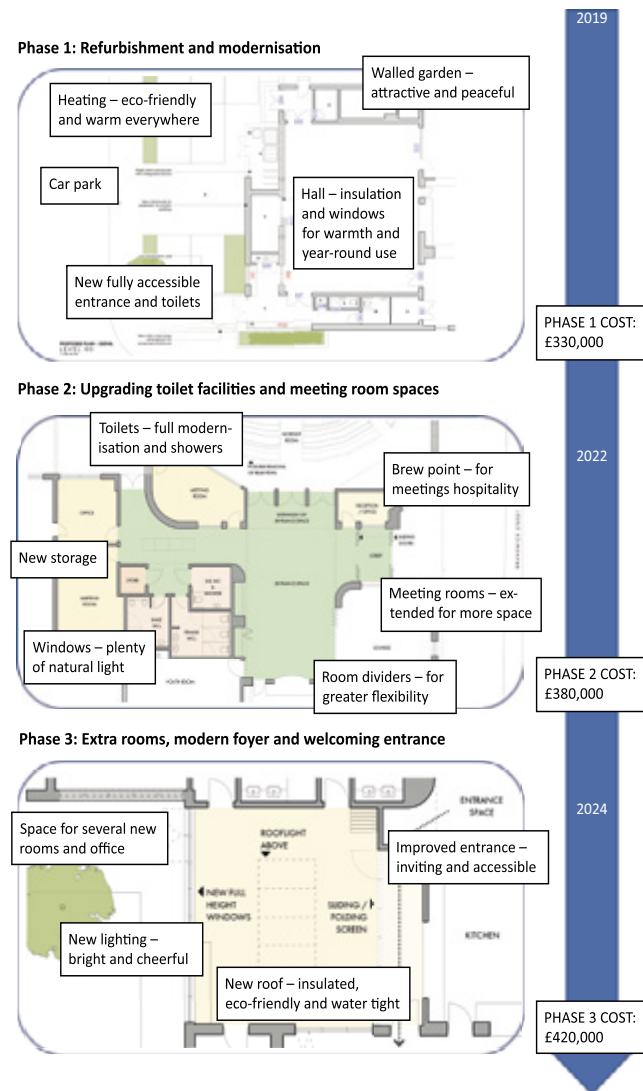
This work has been split into three phases, starting with the high priority repairs and refurbishment. Each phase will cost roughly £300,000 to £400,000.



### We are... welcome

With these improvements, the community will have modern, accessible facilities and a place where they feel cared for and comfortable. We will be able to host sports and meetings, continue our café and ensure that Brunswick benefits from an attractive and open community hub. People will want to come here to play, socialise, learn and worship – all activities that are vital for our physical, social, financial and spiritual well-being. We believe *Refurb* can help to strengthen the area's cohesion and community spirit.

A warm, welcoming and inspiring space – combined with the love and support that users experience from the people inside – will help us meet the needs of the residents and congregations of Brunswick long into the future.



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**Reburbing and upgrading Brunswick Church to create a warm, inviting, inspiring and eco-friendly community facility for the next 25 years**



Health in all its forms - Life in all its fullness



## We are... people

For more than 40 years, Brunswick Parish Church has been a focus of local community life, providing the only versatile space in the area for diverse activities. With its catering kitchen, a sports hall, a worship space “in the round” and several small meeting rooms, the church is a suitable venue for a wide range of users.



During the week our Positive Steps Project offers English language lessons, a community café, a toddler group, an over 50s group, women’s group, advice and guidance drop in, fitness classes, youth work and other social activities. In recent



years, during the winter we have also provided space for a night shelter for rough sleepers. We often host or organise special community events from family fun days to pancake parties. Most weeks we see up to 100 people coming through the doors to access support, activities, social interaction and food.

These activities are organised by the church congregation, our Community Programme Manager, or by external organisations, although always with an emphasis on supporting Brunswick residents.

On Sundays the building is currently busy from 10am until 5pm, providing flexible space for two worshipping congregations – the family of Christ Church Brunswick and a Mandarin-speaking church.



## We are... change

We need a building that is fit for purpose and able to accommodate and adapt to changing community needs for the next 25 years. Overall, we want to make the building:



- Warm and dry: no leaks and flexible heating so that all visitors feel comfortable in winter and summer.
- Inviting: we want people to feel welcome, irrespective of their beliefs, backgrounds, needs or any prior experience of either this church or others.
- Community-focused: we are outward looking and want local residents and community users to have a sense of ownership and belonging.
- Multi-functional: we would like a flexible space that can meet the requirements of several groups at the same time.
- Environmentally friendly: we favour eco-friendly options, and want the building to be “low carbon”.

*Refurb* is our long-term programme of redesign, repair and purposeful capital investment that will enable us to tackle some of the urgent structural and maintenance problems whilst creating a facility to meet the needs of our diverse weekday and worshipping groups and users.

Specific changes will include:

- Eco-friendly central heating

