



## St Mary and St John Church Heritage Project Heritage Activity Consultation Questionnaire (National Lottery Heritage Fund)

Thank you for taking part in this consultation. We are developing plans to celebrate, share, and open up the heritage of St Mary and St John Church and would value your views. Your feedback will help shape future activities, events, learning programmes, interpretation, volunteering, and community use.

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### About You

1. What is your connection to the church?
  - Regular worshipper
  - Local resident
  - Visitor
  - Parent/carer
  - School staff/student
  - Community group user
  - Interested in local history
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What age group are you in?
  - Under 18
  - 18–25
  - 26–40
  - 41–60
  - 61–75
  - 76+
  - Prefer not to say
3. How often do you visit the church?
  - Weekly
  - Monthly
  - Occasionally
  - Rarely
  - Never

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### Your Views on the Building and Heritage

4. What do you value most about the church? (*tick up to three*)
  - Architecture
  - History
  - Quiet/prayer space
  - Community events
  - Churchyard
  - Music
  - Worship



- Memories/family links
  - Role in Cowley community
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
5. What words would you use to describe the church building?
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6. Do you feel the church's history and stories are currently well explained?
- Yes
  - Somewhat
  - No
  - Unsure
7. What would help people better understand the church's heritage?
- Displays / panels
  - Guided tours
  - Digital screens
  - Leaflets
  - Website information
  - Audio guides
  - Talks / lectures
  - School resources
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
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### Activities and Events

8. Which heritage activities would interest you? (*tick all that apply*)
- Local history talks
  - Family heritage trails
  - School visits
  - Art workshops
  - Music concerts
  - Bell tower / architecture tours
  - Churchyard nature/history walks
  - Oral history projects
  - Archive projects
  - Volunteer gardening days
  - Photography exhibitions
  - Festivals / open days
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. What times are best for attending activities?
- Weekday mornings
  - Weekday afternoons
  - Weekday evenings
  - Saturdays
  - Sundays



10. Would you attend activities if refreshments were provided?

- Yes
- Maybe
- No

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### Learning and Community Impact

11. How could this project best benefit Cowley and East Oxford?

- Bring people together
- Reduce loneliness
- Support schools
- Celebrate local history
- Improve wellbeing
- Increase volunteering
- Welcome newcomers
- Skills training
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

12. What groups should we especially involve?

- Children
- Teenagers
- Older people
- Families
- Refugees/new communities
- Disabled people
- LGBTQ+ community
- Local residents
- Schools
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

13. What barriers might stop people taking part?

- Cost
- Time
- Accessibility
- Lack of confidence
- Transport
- Not knowing what is on
- Language barriers
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Volunteering

14. Would you consider volunteering?

- Yes
- Maybe
- No



15. If yes, what areas interest you?

- Welcoming visitors
- Guiding tours
- Research/history
- Archives
- Gardening
- Children's activities
- Hospitality
- Admin
- Communications
- Events support
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Final Thoughts

16. What one thing would you most like this project to achieve?

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17. Any other comments or ideas?

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### Stay Involved

18. Would you like updates or to be involved further?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please leave your name/email (optional):

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Thank you for helping shape the future heritage of St Mary and St John Church.

Please return completed forms to:

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