St. Mary the Virgin Weston on the Green

November 20th 2020

Weston on the Green Parish Council c/o Parish Clerk Oak View North Lane Weston on the Green Oxfordshire OX25 3RG

Dear Sirs

I am writing on behalf of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St. Mary the Virgin to ask the Weston on the Green Parish Council to make a grant in the amount of £563.00 to the PCC to help cover the 2020 maintenance costs of the churchyard.

The churchyard is a treasured resource of the Weston on the Green community not only as a final resting place for cherished family members but also to the community as a whole as a place of tranquility and solitude. The Church has maintained the yard over the years through the services of many volunteers. The use of volunteers minimize our costs. Expenses have mainly been on petrol and maintenance of the lawn equipment. We have covered these costs through the use of our general revenues.

In 2020 we have incurred the unexpected cost of felling a large tree. At the same time the closure of the Church during the Covid-19 quarantine has resulted in a drastic decline in our income from Sunday worship collections, the loss of wedding fees etc. We are seeking the Parish Council's support at this time to help us to continue to meet our regular obligations as our reserves are declining.

The costs the PCC is seeking for the Parish Council grant are:

Tree Surgeon Petrol for lawn mowers £540.00 £. 23.00

£563.00

We hope the Parish Council will give favourable consideration to this request.

Yours sincerely

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