

## NHB Community Grants Scheme 2020/21

### APPLICATION SUMMARY – Grant HIGHER

<b>PROJECT NAME:</b>	Restoration of the Lych Gate on the John Corbett Way
<b>Organisation:</b>	St Michael's Church PCC Stoke Prior
<b>Amount of Funding Requested:</b>	£15,000
<b>Total Cost of Project:</b>	£20,000
<b>Location of Project:</b>	John Corbett Way, Stoke Prior
<b>Aim of Project:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To restore the Grade 11 listed Lych gate and engage with the community by restoring an important part of our heritage on the John Corbett way</li><li>• To provide a 'welcome point' for a wide cross section of interest groups visiting St Michael's church, the churchyard and surrounding conservation area in Stoke Prior</li></ul>

<b>Category</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>1. Signed by Ward Councillor and supporting comments.</b>	Councillor Malcom Glass
<b>2. Evidence of how the impact of growth on the community will be met by the project.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two significant developments in the ward.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Avoncroft Cattle Breeders site at the base of Buntsford Hill</li><li>– Henbrook Gardens site in Westonhall Road</li><li>– 200 new homes</li></ul></li><li>• The Lych gate forms part of the History tours and talks given three times a year around the church/yard and John Corbett way and will feature in History lessons at the local school</li></ul>
<b>3. Evidence that the Project is sustainable (if applicable)?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• St Michael's can offer history tours of the churchyard and conservation area of which the Lych gate and John Corbett Way</li><li>• It is hoped that residents will then become aware of and be able to take up further</li></ul>

	opportunities which are centered in and around the church, such as bell ringing and many other welcoming, well established social events.
<b>4. Evidence that the Project has other funding streams in place (if applicable)?</b>	By fundraising and personal donations. We already have two donations from parishioners of £500 and £70 both gift aided specifically to restore the gates.
<b>5. Which Council Strategic Purpose does it meet?</b>	(See application form)
Help me to live my life independently	Yes
Help me to be financially independent	No
Keep my place safe and looking good	Yes
Help me run a successful business	Yes
Provide good things for me to see, do and visit	Yes
Help me find somewhere to live in my locality	No
<b>6. Details of any Additional Information Provided</b>	<p>The John Corbett way is used extensively by the community, it provides a tranquil area for those seeking a quiet spot, as well as a safe place for those out walking and jogging.</p> <p>Stoke Prior has a keen sense of community and it is important that new residents are made to feel welcome and integrated . Many young families choose to marry and/or have their babies and young children baptised at St Michael's, where I and others meet and personally greet these families.</p> <p>National Lottery Heritage Fund NHLF grant of £333,000 <b>does NOT</b> include the Lychgate, hence our application to the New Home Bonus Scheme. Please see attached photographs giving more historical detail of how the Lychgates looked in the past and more recently without the gates attached</p>