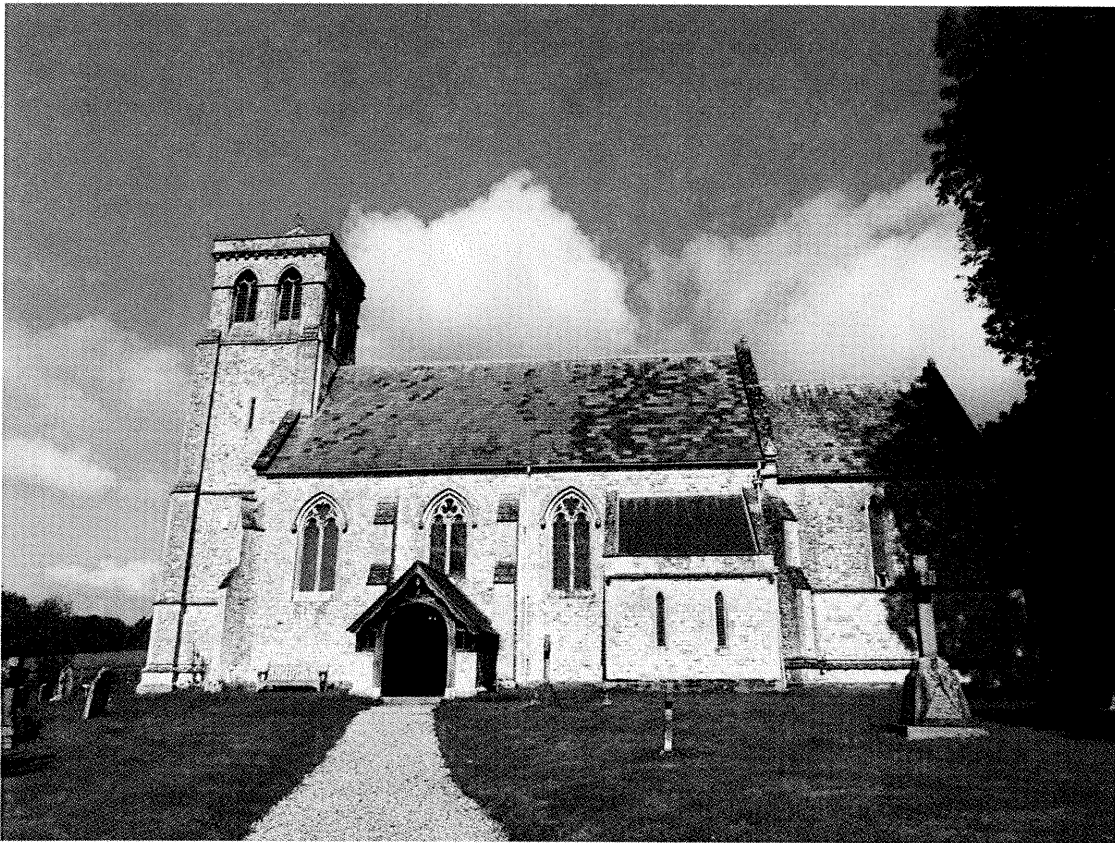


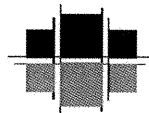
**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
DOGMERSFIELD**

in the Diocese of Winchester

Inspection of Churches Measure 1955



November 2014



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Church is structurally in good order and clearly continues to be well maintained and cared for, with a wide-ranging cyclical maintenance regime in place – an approach for which the PCC should be praised.

Unfortunately the long standing issues of masonry decay and erosion to the external elevations continue to worsen. The PCC are fully aware of this and instructed the Inspecting Architect to prepare a schedule of repair for these areas towards the end of 2013 – fundraising is now in progress so that the repairs can be implemented as soon as funds permit.

In general most recommendations are minor, with a few carried over from the previous report, and so reflect the good level of care. The principal area of concern, as noted above, relates to the masonry decay. The repair of which is now a priority for the PCC.

For a full summary of all matters, please refer to pages 20-21 of this report.

PART ONE**PREAMBLE TO QUINQUENNIAL REPORT**

1.00	SURVEY CARRIED OUT BY:	Richard Codd <i>BA(Hons) DipArch(Leic) PGDipAP MScHistCons(Brookes) RIBA IHBC AABC</i> Radley House Partnership
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1.01 Weather conditions

Warm with cloud which cleared as the inspection continued. Temperature: ~12°C.

1.02 Description of the Church

All Saints Church was consecrated in October 1843. A gift of the Rector, the Reverend Charles Dyson and his half-sister Mary-Ann, it was built to the design of Benjamin Ferrey. Its Victorian style reflects that of the Revival of 13th Gothic style. Most of the fittings and furnishings are contemporary, however, there are some articles re-used from older churches within the area. These include: the small 15th century Sanctus bell; a 16th century memorial brass and a number of memorial/tombstones in the Ringing Chamber.

The Church is entered at the southwest corner. A step leads up to the south porch, with a further step up into the Nave which consists of four bays without side aisles. At its west end is an arch, containing the organ, leading to the Tower structure, whilst at the east end is the Chancel arch. Steps lead up into the Chancel with a further step leading up to the communion rail and Sanctuary. At the east end of the Nave are vestries to both the north and south sides.

The Church was identified as a Grade II listed building on 24th November 1961 and is within the Dogmersfield Conservation Area (designated in 1977 and extended in March 1988).

1.03 Purpose of this Report

This is a general report as required by the Inspection of Churches Measure 1955 (as amended). It is not a specification for the execution of works and must not be used as such.

The Parish are reminded that it will be necessary to obtain a Faculty, if it is intended to carry out any repairs, and an Architect's specification will be required for anything other than maintenance or very minor works.

Copies are being sent to the Parochial Church Council, the Archdeacon, the Secretary of the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches and the Secretary of the Diocesan Board of Finance.