

## How do you apply?

Application forms are available from **Susan Parker** at Church House or from [www.wakefield.anglican.org/bdf](http://www.wakefield.anglican.org/bdf).

Meetings are generally held January, April, July and October, forms should be returned in good time for them to be considered. Deadlines will be published online.

## What happens then?

After your application has been received;

- A Trustee will contact you for more information about your project
- The trustee will report back to the meeting where the decision is made
- You will be informed of that decision shortly after the meeting date



**For further help and assistance on your Bishop's Development Fund application or any other church/community development projects contact;**  
**Susan Parker,**  
**Development Officer,**  
**at Church House.**

## Diocese of Wakefield



Church House  
1 South Parade  
Wakefield  
WF1 1LP



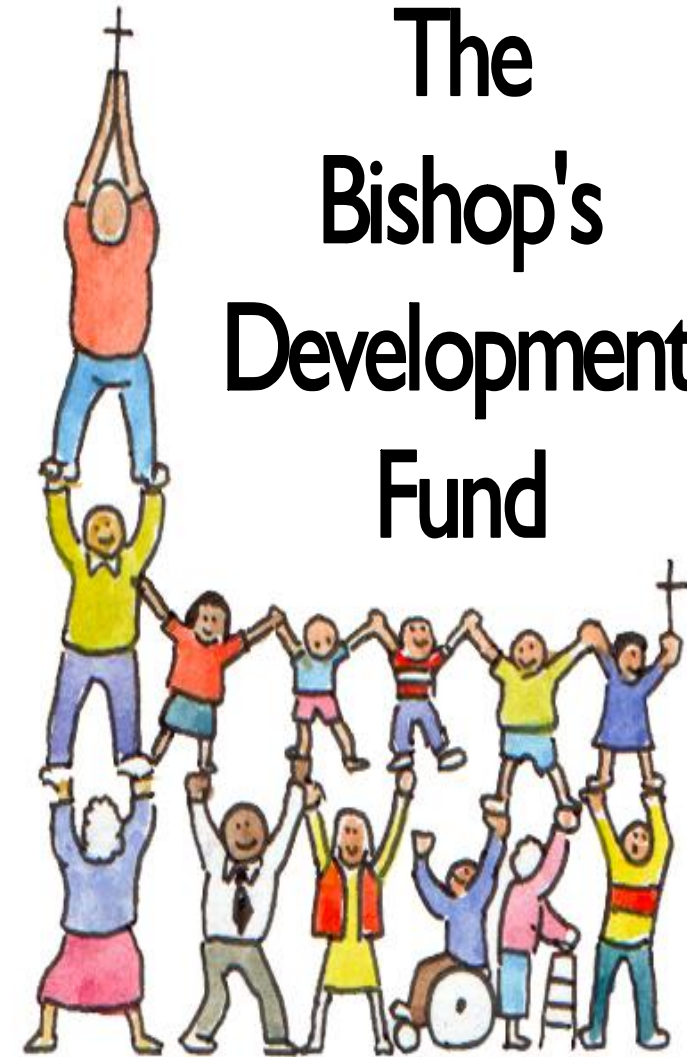
Phone: 01924 371802

Fax: 01924 364834

E-mail: [bdf@wakefield.anglican.org](mailto:bdf@wakefield.anglican.org)

Web: [www.wakefield.anglican.org/bdf](http://www.wakefield.anglican.org/bdf)

The Bishop's Development Fund  
is a registered charity  
No: 700588



# The Bishop's Development Fund

**SUPPORTING LOCAL PARISHES IN MISSION NOT MAINTENANCE!**



# The Bishop's Development Fund

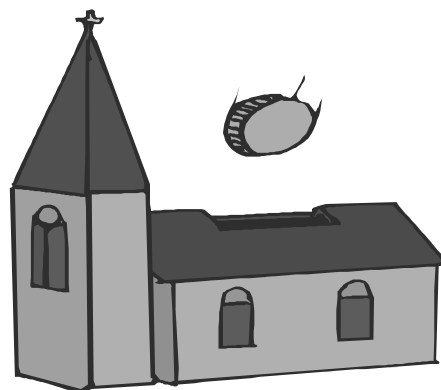
## What is it?

The Bishop's Development Fund is a pot of money available to Church of England parishes within the Diocese of Wakefield. It was set up in 1989 with almost £1million raised by members of the Diocese to celebrate its centenary year. This money was invested wisely by the trustees of the fund, allowing them to give a number of grants each year.



## How much can you get?

Parishes can apply for grants of up to £5,000, although in exceptional circumstances the trustees may consider grants marginally higher than this.

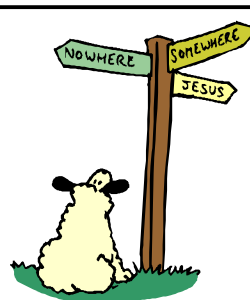


## What do we support?

The fund supports mission within the diocese by specifically encouraging:

- **Congregation Growth** - projects providing new facilities, or initiatives, to encourage more people to attend and support church
- **Attracting Young People** - new initiatives to attract and retain young people
- **Community Outreach** - new projects which bring benefits to the wider local community, helping and working with local people

***Our aim is to support locally based projects where mission not maintenance is the keynote of church life***



Presently the trustees will look favorably on applications for:

- Help with the funding of gap year/pastoral assistants/students under 25
- 'Fresh Expressions' initiatives that encourage the formation of new Christian communities and groups
- Projects which encourage working together across parish boundaries
- Environmental and 'green' community initiatives



## What don't we support?

Currently the trustees feel that they are unable to support applications for:

- Salaries of paid staff (although sessional staffing costs may be considered)
- The purchase of IT equipment for normal patterns of worship
- Building work to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act
- Repairs and restoration of church buildings