

## **SAVE ALL SAINTS**

*The church building is suffering from severe subsidence. This has caused some high-level masonry to fall in the south transept and cracking of the floor in the Lady Chapel. Both are out-of-bounds. There is a risk for falling masonry on the outside of the church and an Exclusion Zone has been implemented, with the agreement of the Diocese of London and the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea. We first applied to RBKC for permission on 3 March. Scaffolding will soon be put up around the south transept to support the structure.*

*The cost of securing these risky areas of the church is nearly £100K for the next six months. This is not the cost of the actual repairs, which will run into £100Ks.*

*There will be later phases of restoration on the subsidence. These will require a thorough digital survey of the church so we understand the church in the fullest way. It is likely that the tower will also need restoration.*

*The cause of the subsidence is likely to be the underlying London clay and the large trees that are close to the building causing movement in the subsoil. The church received direct hits from bombs in the Second War and the building materials used in the 1950s restoration may not have been of the best quality given limited supplies at that time.*

*As a Church and community, we need to unite around Save All Saints for the present and the future. It's been here for us since 1852, and now we need to be here for it so that we are passing it on to future generations.*

*As we develop this project updates will be available on the church website. Designated Donations stated to **SAVE ALL SAINTS** and offers of help very gladly received. We need to raise some millions of pounds – but as we know All Saints is priceless and worth it.*

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