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Dear Mr Devine,

### Repair Grants for Places of Worship in England

We are writing to introduce you to the English Heritage/Heritage Lottery Fund *Repair Grants for Places of Worship in England* scheme. This grant scheme is available to support urgent repair projects to listed places of worship in England, for example the repair of roofs, gutters, towers etc, where the overall project cost is estimated to be in excess of £10,000. The day-to-day administration of the scheme is carried out on behalf of both organisations by English Heritage regional offices so you may already be aware of the scheme through our regional colleagues.

We welcome applications from any faith group that worships in a listed building, regardless of the type of building. For example a building formerly used as a cinema but now used by a formally constituted faith group for worship at least six times a year, would be eligible to apply under this scheme. We accept applications in two batches each year with application deadlines this year of 30 June 2009 for grade I and II\* listed buildings and 30 September 2009 for grade II buildings. Grants are offered to those repair projects deemed most urgent and showing financial need.

If you have not previously had contact with us, or are interested in the scheme for yourselves or your faith network, please speak to your local English Heritage regional office. These are listed in the back of the enclosed pack; or see our website, [www.english-heritage.org.uk](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk).

We enclose a copy of our application pack which sets out the eligibility criteria and application process in more detail. Electronic copies are also available at: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.1122>. Please do pass on information on the existence of this scheme to members of your faith group network.

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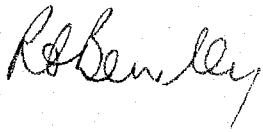
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If you have any more general questions about the scheme or any feedback on it please feel free to contact Clare Reading, the Grant Programmes Manager for English Heritage by telephone on 0161 242 1405, or by email at [clare.reading@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:clare.reading@english-heritage.org.uk)

Yours sincerely



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