

FORM 5 (Rule 5)

Section 8 of Care of Cathedrals Measure 2011 Notice of Decision of Fabric Advisory Committee

TAKE NOTICE that the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of:

The Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of St Peter in York

applied on *insert date*

13th August 2024

for approval of the following proposal: *complete as on Form 3*

To replace the main visitor toilets in the north quire aisle of the Minster.

Summary of the nature of work and its extent (and materials) [or in the case of an object, a short description of it and details of the proposal]

The main visitor toilets in the north quire aisle of the Minster have rapidly deteriorated over the past two years to such a point that the Visitor Experience Team are regularly receiving complaints, both verbally and online about the poor quality of the facilities and smells. The Works Department are having to continually carry out remedial repairs and do as much as possible to address the issues. It appears that the facilities were poorly constructed, and Chapter has agreed that they should be replaced.

To maximise capacity, self-contained universal lavatories, will be built, consisting of a fully enclosed single room with a washbasin and hand-drying facilities for individual use. See attached (1) design and (2) statement of need.

The design would

1. allow for a truly inclusive experience as the facilities would be gender neutral allowing everyone access to provisions such as stoma shelves and sanitary bins.
2. meet safeguarding guidelines by allowing teachers to provide toilet visits in a single space.
3. allow for a baby changing unit in which the parent/carer could use the facilities at the same time as caring for a child.
4. facilitate the most effective use of the space and increase capacity by 7 units.
5. reflect and project the world class visitor experience that we strive to deliver here at the Minster.

The toilets will be built off site and then brought to site for installation to minimise disruption. It is anticipated that the installation will take up to four weeks. During this time temporary toilets will be rented and housed in the Chapter House car park.

Representations

Representations in writing in respect of the above proposal were received from: *list any statutory consultees and other bodies and give total number of representations from members of the public*

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Decision

At a meeting of the Fabric Advisory Committee held on:

12 th December 2024

the above proposal and representations were considered and the Committee decided to:

- 1. Approve the proposal**

Signed



Secretary of the Fabric Advisory Committee

Dated: 2nd January 2025

NOTES:

1. A copy of this Notice is to be sent or delivered to the bodies or persons specified in Rule 5(7), as applicable [to the Chapter, the Cathedrals Fabric Commission and any other bodies who received a copy of the Form 3].
2. Within 7 days of receipt of this Notice the administrator of the Cathedral Church is to display a copy of it inside and outside the cathedral where it will be readily visible to the public for a period of not less than 28 days.