

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*

18th February 2026

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

To resurface the parking area to the west of the Old Palace library.

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 parking area to the west of the Old Palace is currently in a poor condition and unsightly. Permission is therefore sought for a sensitively designed re-surfacing, to sustain its current use in the relatively short term. The long term ambition, as defined in the York Minster Neighbourhood Plan, is for the site to be re-purposed to enhance the library/archive provision and setting of the Old Palace Library.

The surface will have a buff-coloured permeable resin-bonded gravel finish appropriate to the surrounding context, and designed not to harm archaeological survivals, protected trees and their roots, whilst ensuring a sub-base of suitable strength with good water management.

The application is subject to a live application for planning permission with City of York Council and an application for Scheduled Monument Consent (SMC) with Historic England.

The supporting document for the SMC is attached. This includes:

- options appraisal in relation to matters of technical detail of buildup and finishes
- detailed method statement on the construction of the car park to determine how archaeological remains will be protected
- design and access statement, and
- heritage impact assessment.

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*

None received

Decision

At a meeting of the Fabric Advisory Committee held on:

19th March 2026

the above proposal and representations were considered and the Committee decided to:
delete as appropriate

1. Approve the proposal

Signed



David Demack

Secretary of the Fabric Advisory Committee

Dated: 26th March 2026

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.