



GRANTS AND LOANS FROM THE CHURCH BUILDINGS FUND

Grants and loans may be sought by local churches from a number of sources, such as local authority, government or European funding, English Heritage and other conservation bodies, various trust bodies, and from the wider councils of the Church itself (Synod, Assembly).

In some cases, it may be possible to obtain further information from your Synod Office.

This section deals only with applications for support from the United Reformed Church Buildings Fund, which used to be administered by the Mission Council Grants & Loans Group.

The Church Buildings Fund exists for the upkeep, repair, improvement and extension of church buildings, and the provision and erection of church and manse buildings of the United Reformed Church. In recent years, it has been used for making modest grants towards the provision of facilities for disabled people and towards feasibility studies, and loans towards major building projects and professional fees.

Since the Grants & Loans Group was wound up in May 2008, new arrangements are in place for the administration of the Church Buildings Fund. Grants are now allocated by some Synods, through resource sharing, and you should apply to your Synod Office for further information. Loans are administered by the central Finance Committee, and further details can be found on the URC's website:

http://www.urch.org.uk/what_we_do/finance/finance.