



## Villagers in Redlingfield, near Eye organise swing dance to help save their historic church

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Residents in a Suffolk village have organised a swing dance to raise funds to help save the parish church.



The village of Redlingfield celebrates £71,800 grant for the roof of St Andrews Church.

The dance will be in aid of the Church of St Andrew in Redlingfield, near Eye, which was added to Historic England's register of 'at risk' sites last month.

The Anglo-Saxon church is not watertight, and there are ambitious plans to add toilets, a kitchen and an operational heating system to make the building more usable.

Earlier this year, the church received a £71,800 grant to repair the roof and gutters but more money is needed.

The dance, on November 14 at The Red Feather Club in Horham, will feature music from the 1940s and 1950s.

The club, run by the 95th Bomb Group Heritage Association, is the official UK museum of the 95th Bomb Group.

Tickets are £8, and proceeds will go towards repairing the church.

Redlingfield parish clerk Janet Norman-Philips said: "The whole community is behind this effort to save our church and make it more usable by adding toilets and a kitchen along with installing a heating system that works.

"But first we have to get the building fully wind and watertight.

"Eventually we also hope to restore the medieval paintings that were covered over a few years back for safekeeping.

"So we've got to raise a lot of money over the next few months to even begin to make this possible.

"We have been fortunate to have been given a £71,800 grant to help repair the roof and rainwater gutters but there is still a lot more to do.

"We have water coming in through the walls where the Tudor rendering is failing and damp seeping up through the floor."

The DJs for the evening are AndyAV8 and The Baker Boy. There is a licensed bar and there will be burgers.

To purchase tickets, send a stamped addressed envelope to Mike Ager, Hidcote Lodge, Mill Road, Redlingfield, IP23 7QU. Cheques payable to Redlingfield Parish Meeting.

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