

## NEW YEAR APPEAL

### PLEASE HELP US TO SAVE LINTON KIRK AS A PLACE OF WORSHIP



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*In the solitude of this sacred place far from the stress and strains of modern day living, perhaps, a person can find themselves ...* (Linton Kirk Visitor Book)

Church of Scotland is facing severe financial pressures as a result of declining membership, ageing congregations, and fewer ministers. Throughout the country, congregations are being united, linked or even dissolved, and a number of churches placed on a disposal list and earmarked for sale. This includes Linton Kirk, one of the oldest and most beautiful churches in Scotland.

The Linton Kirk Heritage Appeal (LKHA) has the opportunity to purchase the church for £35,000 and has been granted a six month exclusivity period by the Church of Scotland to the beginning of April 2026.

### 900 Years of Worship

Described by many as a place of great beauty, peace and spirituality, Linton Kirk celebrates its 900<sup>th</sup> anniversary of continuous worship in 2027. LKHA believes this is the ideal time to give the church its next best life by safeguarding its history and heritage for future generations.

### How to Donate

By Bank Transfer to:

Account name: **Linton Kirk Heritage Appeal**

Bank: **RBS**

Sort Code: **83-23-18**

Account: **00602754**

Please email Simon Oldham with your contact details and the amount you have donated. He will send you a Gift Aid form if you're a UK taxpayer.

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Alternatively, you may prefer to speak to one of the LKHA Trustees: Alastair Fleming, Jimmy Fleming, Simon Oldham, Joanna Scott, Margaret McTavish, Rhona McKeachie, Iain Agnew or Susan Taylor.

We also intend to launch an online crowd-funding appeal in February. Send us your email address if you would like further details when this is released.

*Thank you*

*Alastair Fleming, Chair, LKHA*