

 BE A BRICK

HELP BUILD A FUTURE

We have a God-sent chance to buy Lindisfarne Retreat for permanent use as a Community House –with it’s office, study library, and upstairs accommodation for a live-in community member. This is currently Ray’s home but has been increasingly taken over by the community. We want to honour Ray by enabling him to purchase a property which will give him more privacy and which is more suitable if he is unwell, with a downstairs bedroom and en-suite facilities. Our friends Rev. Michael and Mrs Burden, who have to leave the Island for personal reasons, have offered Ray the first

opportunity to buy their lovely house with a view. Ray can buy this, with the help of gifts he has received, if the community purchases his present home and repays the interest free loan he gave to help us purchase The Open Gate.

Cost: Purchase £195,000 Loan Repayment of £31,000
Legal and other fees £10,000 TOTAL £236,000

The Burdens however need to move urgently , and before we launch a wider appeal, we’d like to give every community member and friend, an opportunity to ‘Be a Brick’ and purchase a stake in the Community House– by buying any number of £1 Bricks. The name of each community brick will be kept on a list in the library.

We are investing here in a triple blessing! A blessing for Ray who will have the space and privacy he requires for his writing and will have a spare guest room. With our present pressing need for more help on the Island, this house will be a blessing to Graham, Ruth and Carol to have an extra helping hand and it may be that Naomi is the first occupant. This house will be a long-term blessing for the whole community.

Name: _____

I will buy this number of £1 bricks (please tick)

1 10 100 1,000 10,000 50,000

Or

Please tick if you are a UK tax payer, to gift aid this so we can reclaim the tax you would have paid on this amount.

I enclose a cheque made payable to ‘Lindisfarne Trust’

I have paid using the donation option on the community website (www.aidanandhilda.org) for members only.

Perhaps you belong to a church which gives a percentage of its income to a charity in which it believes. If so, would you pass on the attached church appeal leaflet to the appropriate person?

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A GIVING OPPORTUNITY FOR CHURCHES

HELP ESTABLISH A RESOURCE FOR CHURCHES AND SEEKERS ON THE HOLY ISLAND OF LINDISFARNE

Increasing numbers of church leaders, members and seekers are grateful for the ministry offered at our small Retreat House, The Open Gate – retreats, spiritual direction, and welcoming space. However we are shackled by lack of space for those who come to study, who need a quiet room,

and for accommodation for the staff we need if we are to provide much-needed meals, after care and other resources.

Now we have a rare opportunity: to purchase the house of our Guardian, Ray Simpson, who will move to a private house on the island which will enable him to offer more personally. The purchase price plus legal and other costs and a loan repayment to Ray Simpson come to £260,000.

The Community House will make available improvement of services offered by the library and much valued Community office, and will provide accommodation for another staff team member

Many churches give a proportion of their income to deserving charities at home or abroad. This year, would you consider donating to our Aidan and Hilda Be a Brick Appeal and to buy any number of £1 Bricks of the Community house? The name of each brick will be kept on a list in the library.

The Lindisfarne Trust is the registered charity that provides property for The Community of Aidan and Hilda on Lindisfarne (charity no 1092445)

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