

## Electricity Transmission

# The Parochial Church Council of East Huntspill Community Grant Programme



**The Church supports the small rural community of East Huntspill, which has a population of approximately 1,150 people.**

**Organisation: The Parochial Church Council of East Huntspill**

**Project: New lighting**

**Beneficiaries: 1146 (the whole village)**

**Location: East Huntspill**

**Region: South - West**

**Impact:** The Hinkley Connection Project is a new high-voltage electricity connection between Bridgwater and Seabank near Avonmouth. It is a significant investment in the region's electricity network and will enable us to connect new sources of low-carbon energy to homes and businesses.

## £10,000

Awarded to replace the lighting system

**For further information please visit:**

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**Community Helpline**

01285 841912

In November 2020 the Parochial Church Council of East Huntspill was awarded a grant of £10,000 to upgrade their lighting system.

The lighting in the Church dated back to the 1970s, reliant on fluorescent tubes which it could no longer purchase. It was also inefficient in terms of energy usage as it lit the entire building even if only a small area was in use.

There was concern that as individual bulbs failed, there would be a danger that the Church would not be able to remain open due to inadequate lighting and unsafe conditions.

The Church wanted to upgrade the lighting system to LED flood and wall mounted lights, which included rewiring, trunking and new gang light switches.

As a result of the grant, the Church has benefited from a more efficient lighting system which will achieve cost savings.

Furthermore the Church can now remain open to support the wider community use for non-denominational activities.

Mrs Sara Puddy, Secretary for the PCC commented on the grant, saying,

“Everyone is delighted with the new lighting, much softer and in keeping with the building. The building can remain open, as we have lights. The new lights are more energy efficient, this will have an economical and environmental benefit to the village.

The Church is well used and valued by the community and its loss to the village would have been immense.”