

9th September, 1963.

The Secretary,
St. John's Church,
65 Tooke Street,
NEWCASTLE.

Dear Sir,

Proposed Re-roofing

Further to my inspection with Mr. Benson of the Church roof we have carefully considered the best method of re-roofing bearing in mind the following conditions:-

1. The existing roof framing is of comparatively light construction and would not support heavy materials such as corrugated asbestos or tiles.
2. The material used would need to blend aesthetically with the Church design.
3. The existing valleys and gutters and downpipes must be renewed as they appear to be the prime cause of leakages.
4. The existing dormer vents would not be rain-proof under gale conditions.

Consequently we feel that the re-roofing should be done with full-length metallic sheeting which can be fixed direct to the boarding existing and sarked with sisalation paper.

Several materials are available and comparative costs for the whole area (8,700 square feet) for the sheeting only but fixed in position would be:-

(A) Aluminium 22g. Snaprib.	£2,262- 0- 0
(B) Trimdek 26g. galvanised iron.	915- 0- 0
(C) Kliplok 26g. galvanised iron.	£1,392- 0- 0

To these costs must be added the following:

1. Stripping existing tiles and removing from site.	435- 0- 0
2. Single sided foil paper sarking.	130-10- 0
3. New ridges and barges.	195-15- 0
4. Dormer roofs and back gutters.	80- 0- 0
5. New gutters and downpipes and valley gutters.	272- 0- 0
6. Re-sheeting bell tower.	30- 0- 0
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	£1,142- 5- 0

Method (B) Trimdek is the cheapest and would at the same time provide an attractive roof. The only doubt is the life of the 26g. galvanised iron but on such a steep roof and without any cross joints we consider it should last at least 10-15 years. It would have the backing of Lysaghts Ltd. who produce it.

With this roof we suggest copper valley gutters but 24g. G.I. gutters and downpipes which would come within the cost of Item 5. and would last as long as the roof.

The total cost would then be:-	
Trimdek roofing.	£915- 0- 0
Items 1 to 6.	1,142- 5- 0
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	£2,057- 5- 0

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This could be further reduced by eliminating the dormer vents
Item 4.

The 22 gauge aluminium roof would give the most pleasing aesthetic effect and would have a longer life than the Trimdek, but the initial cost is much greater.


These figures will serve as a basis for discussion and when your Committee decides on the type of metal we can then obtain an absolutely firm price for the job.

The figures quoted in Items 3 to 6 are all for aluminium accessories which would be necessary if the aluminium sheeting is used, but if galv. iron sheeting was adopted it would be advisable to use galvanised iron accessories owing to the danger of electrolytic action.

Brochures of the metal roofings mentioned are enclosed herewith.

Should you require any further information we will be pleased to provide same.

Yours faithfully,



Rodd and Hay.

Encl: