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The Fraternity Project Appeal

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Dear Friend,

These are exciting times for Carlisle Cathedral. I am delighted to be able to report that both Carlisle City Council and the Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England have given their approval for the new building illustrated on the leaflet which I have enclosed with this letter. This new, single storey, extension will unlock the Fraternity. The new building contains stairs and a lift to both floors, level-access toilets and a new café.

More than that, I am delighted to say that by November all was ready to allow us to submit our Stage 2 application to the Heritage Lottery Fund. We are asking them for a grant of £1,900,000 towards this transformational project. It represents we believe the most significant development within the Cathedral precinct in living memory – both in terms of our buildings and the teaching and learning that can take place here.

Five years ago we launched our Fraternity Appeal. Many people responded generously when this project was hardly more than a “gleam in the Dean’s eye”. I was personally deeply thankful for the confidence people placed in the project at that very early stage and the way people saw how the project could make the Cathedral “a place of discovery, celebration and challenge”. Since then a great deal of work has been done by members of Chapter, Cathedral Staff, volunteers and our very able team of consultants. It has brought us to a key moment in the life of the project – when ‘Development’ moves into ‘Delivery’.

The whole Cathedral Chapter joins me in saying how immensely grateful we are for your help in getting us to this point. We believe this key moment presents a new and vital opportunity for those who love the Cathedral and long to see it flourish to contribute to the delivery of this tremendously significant project. Can you now please help us to raise the final £450,000 that we need? The enclosed paper sets out the ways in which you can help

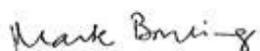
- with a one-off donation;
- by setting up a monthly standing order for the next two years;
- by using Gift Aid to add to the value of your gift.

Your help, now, will mean we can

- bring the Fraternity building back to life for use by the Cathedral and the wider community;
- develop innovative and outstanding teaching and learning opportunities in a building which is fit for purpose;
- create the facilities which will help generate the income we need to sustain the whole life of the Cathedral into the next generation.

Thank you for all your interest. We are poised at a singular moment of opportunity. I hope you will feel inspired by the progress that has been made and by the significance of this project. Please ask if you have questions.

With very good wishes for Christmas and the New Year.



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