



Window Report

Address/Site:	St Patricks Church, Tidworth AT 0 083
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Summary:

Leaded and Stained glass windows glazed into Ashlar Bath stone rebated mullioned windows.

There are metal framed opening hopper windows which are in good condition. Recently restored.

The South Clerestory windows are showing signs of bowing and failure to the lead comes and are in need of removing and re-leading for a further 100 years.

North Elevation Ground Floor: Window is in need of 1 x in-situ repair.

North West Elevation Ground Floor: Stone replacement needed to cracked broken stone frame.

Tower: The metal opening frames to the tower are showing signs of significant rust and decay and are all in need of restoration along with the leaded lights and stained glass windows.

Most of the south elevation Coping stones are cracked and spalling and need to be replaced.

Leaded lights have a lead life span of 80 – 100 years and at which point the lead comes need to be replaced to ensure the historical glass is kept for a further 100 years. For south/southwest elevations this can be less than the stated life span. St Patricks Church is within this ballpark and most of the windows are showing signs needing to be re-leaded.

Brief History

The Roman Catholic Garrison Church of St Patrick and St George is an early building of its type, purpose built garrison churches having been exclusively constructed for Anglican worship during this period and before. It is also an early use of reinforced concrete frame construction in a church building, contemporaneous with the neighbouring Garrison Church of St Michael. The design, by local architect G L W Blount, may have been influenced by the work of E Douglas Hoyland, the architect of the contemporary Garrison Church of St Michael close by.

The church was to have been built in 1910 but was delayed due to lack of funds. The cost of construction was eventually raised through subscription and by fines levied on recruits for mistakes made during training. On completion, the church was blessed by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Clifton the Right Rev Monsignor Burdop.







