

St Andrew's Church, Sandon

Fire Plan

1. Evacuation of the Building

The following features exist:

- a. A fire door on the north side – can be opened from the inside even if locked and is in addition to the main church door.
- b. A green Running Man fire notice on the fire door. Large and clearly visible from inside the nave.
- c. Lights which come on automatically if the electricity fails during an evening service.
- d. A gas-horn warning device at the rear of the church. This is particularly to warn anyone in the tower or St Andrew's Room. Bellringers and organist can evacuate from organ loft into church or up the tower to the roof to await rescue, in the event of fire/smoke blocking their exit at the bottom of the tower.
- e. All main church services have a sidesman who would coordinate evacuation to the church car park with the churchwardens. Training in July each year.

2. Fire Extinguishers

The required number of extinguishers exist and are checked and serviced annually. These are sited at the pulpit, on the tower stairs by the organ loft door, in the kitchen and by the vestry door. Also, fire blankets in the kitchen and in the vestry.

3. General

In the event of a fire the primary concern is to evacuate the building to the church car park. Sidesman and churchwarden will always know the number of people present.

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