



The restored entrance to the refurbished Hilda Besse (artist's impression).

Dear Antonians,

Welcome to the Trinity issue of the Hilda Besse newsletter. These termly updates give you a rundown of upcoming milestones, and an overview of the project and fundraising progress made. Please follow us on social media, as well as on our [website](#) for more pictures, information, and real-time updates.

As Roger Goodman, our Warden, writes: 'this bulletin gives you an update about the work that has been going on since March, what still needs to happen, our re-landscaping plans, Antonian memories of the Hilda Besse and one of the silver-linings of the pandemic: the ongoing generosity of the worldwide Antonian community.'

Please don't hesitate to send any comments or questions about the project to HBB@sant.ox.ac.uk.

All the best,

Sara, Martyn and Wouter
The Development Team

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'I am touched by the kindness and generosity that we have received from our alumni and friends around the world.'

[Progress and re-landscaping](#)

'The re-landscaping of the area around the Hilda Besse will conserve what works, restore what has become degraded, and enhance the overall setting of the building, as well as those around the lawn and the wider North Oxford Victorian Suburb Conservation Area.'

[Interview with Professor Vivienne Shue](#) (BLitt 1967; student representative on the original Hilda Besse furnishing committee)

'The Hilda Besse represents a stage in our cultural development in Oxford. I see it as having marked a departure. Now it's history to be preserved, but back then it was the brave new world'

[Interview with Matthew Morgan](#) (Domestic Bursar)

'We will actually be entering the Hilda Besse Building earlier than hoped! Our original forecast was for April 2021, and that is when the Hilda Box was due to be removed, but now we are aiming to finish by December, with us entering the building in early January 2021.'

[Hilda Besse memories](#): Cheuk Yan Leung, Steve Welch, Owen Gibbons, Thais Bessa and Benjamin Mackenzie-Grieve, and Shirin Lindseth

'St Antony's and the Hilda Besse building have such an important role in our lives. It is not only where we accomplished educational dreams and made friends for life, but also where we met each other. In fact, winning the Late Bar pool championship is what brought us together.'



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