

*Bressingham Church*  
*Heritage Lottery Fund building repairs blog:*  
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Building works finally begin at Bressingham Church!



Diana Burroughes, Churchwarden, and I met Keith and Alex (builders) at the church. Stage I is groundworks, digging soakaways. Keith was adept at driving and turning the mini-digger up the church path.



Archaeologist Sarah Bates oversaw the digging. Unfortunately, several burials were discovered beneath the path from the Lych gate to the north door which indicates the remains are certainly older than the path! The remains will be carefully documented and reburied by Diss Team clergy.

**Monday, 15 May**

Groundworks continue at the church. Archaeologists Sarah and Simon are still carefully removing bones from the soakaway trench. Sadly, some of the remains they found last week were young children. (A reburial service will take place in the next few weeks). Some interesting archaeology has been discovered in the church: Sarah and Simon noted layered foundations in the holes next to the 13<sup>th</sup> century chancel north wall (close to the north aisle) that had to be dug ready for the new downpipes. These black stripes indicate they date from the 12<sup>th</sup> century.

