

BATS IN CHURCHES



St Andrew COSTON Leicestershire

The Issue

The south aisle is home to a maternity colony of Natterer's Bats, which leave large quantities of droppings and urine staining. The resulting mess and smell proved extremely challenging for this small rural church community.



What We Did

We installed removable trays underneath the roosts to catch droppings before they reach the floor. The trays can be lowered for cleaning when required.

Coston church hosts occasional bat talks and walks, as well as training workshops for VBRVs who want to work with churches.

A bespoke interpretation board tells the story of the bats in the church and the mitigation work.

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