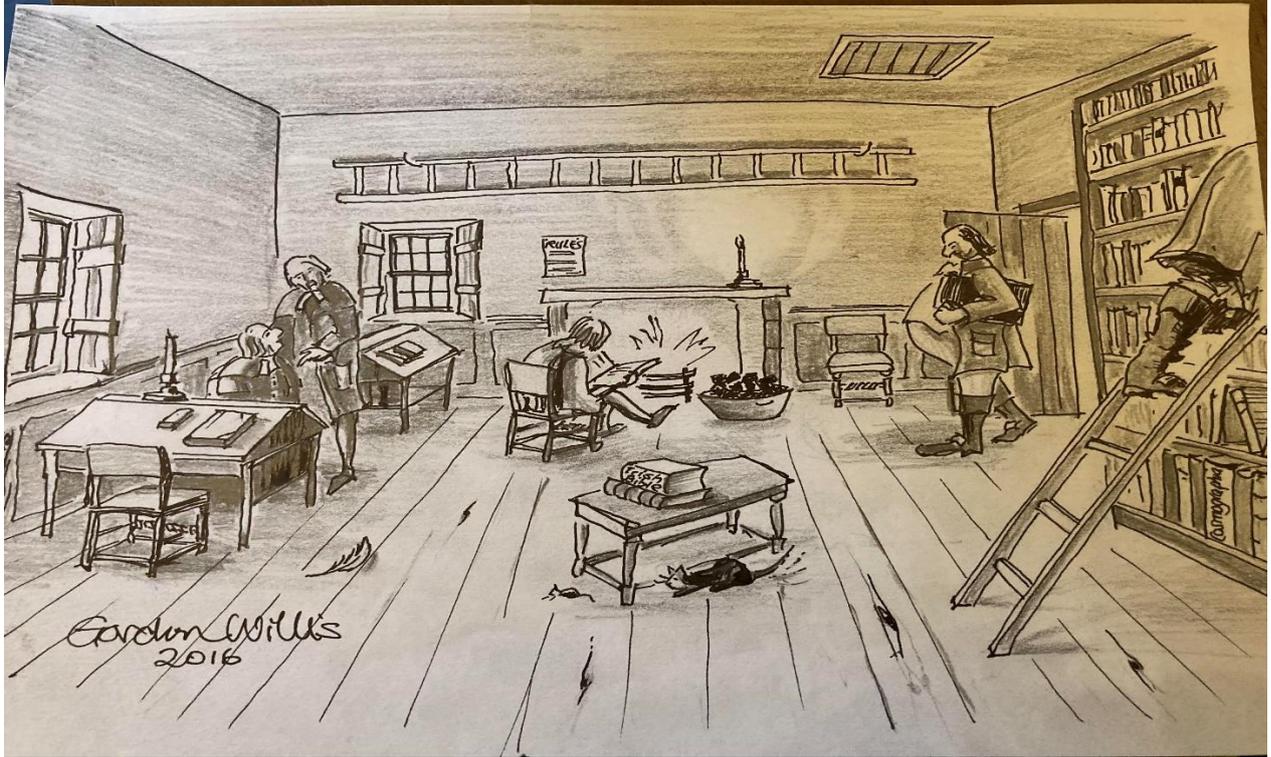


The LEIGHTON LIBRARY RESTORATION NEWS



We're Off!

Despite the very frosty weather, the scaffolders arrived on Monday 16 January to start things off.



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The scaffolding is initially being erected on three walls. The remaining (Cross) side will be put up around the middle of February. Work will start on 23 January, when the harling will be stripped from the south chimney, followed by repointing and stone repairs, dismantling and rebuilding the north chimney and wall below it. The main building harling will be removed towards the end of February.

First samples of the existing render at the south end indicated there appears to be a three coat build up and it may prove a challenge to remove. The sandstone beneath the sample area was saturated, which confirms impermeable harling has been trapping moisture.



Sustainability



Whilst we had mixed feelings about having to remove the trees which were too close to the building, it was good to see our Chair and neighbour, the Rev. Colin Renwick, resourcefully upcycled the conifer!