

REPAIRS TO THE CHICHESTER LIBRARY

An inspection of the timber framework of the library by Ian



Blackman and Bernd Reinhardt revealed that damage had been done to the building perhaps when the building was moved many years ago. The first was that a purlin was broken and needed to be replaced. This was accomplished when the roof was

redone. The second involved the separation of the back gable end from the second bent from the back. The tendons had apparently been pulled partially out causing the timber pins to be broken resulting in not holding the timbers in place. It was decided the most economical and efficient method to repair the damage was to have gussets installed. Ian estimated that the gussets would cost \$500 to manufacture and \$1000 to install. The gussets were obtained and Ian and Bernie recently installed them stabilizing the building. Thanks to Ian and Bernie for their volunteer work inspecting the damage, obtaining and installing the gussets saving the library from further damage.