

STRETHALL LECTURES 2011

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Strethall has a small church with complete Saxon nave written up at some length in Taylor and briefly covered by Pevsner, so we anxiously await the new words in the forthcoming revised volume. The Strethall Lectures were first held in 2001 as part of the fund-raising campaign when the church at Strethall needed to raise substantial funds for essential repairs to the decaying fabric, following recommendations in the Architect's Quinquennial Report. They were one item in a programme of events at that time to support and encourage a wider interest in Strethall Church. Since then, we have spent in excess of £150,000 on fabric repairs. A new Quinquennial Report in 2010 recommended various minor works of considerable cost, so the work goes on! The lectures were such a success that they have been continued annually, in February, and are given on art, architectural or historical subjects by leading academic speakers and hugely enjoyed by a popular audience.

The venue is the Friends' Meeting House in the High Street, Saffron Walden. There will be one lecture in February 2011 and details will be published on the parish website www.icknieldwayparish.com
