


The Methodist Church 

Property Development Pathways

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Step 1 - Produce a Mission Plan & Property Plan

Part One - Mission Plan
Mission Planning Toolkit has guidance to help churches write a mission plan. The simplest form for Mission Planning can be found [here](#).

Part Two - Property Plan
Church Property Plan will help trustees to conduct of thorough audit of the church and its potential uses for mission. A copy should be sent to the DPS.

Developing Your Vision
Undertaking a Community Audit

Step 2 - Do Your Research

[TMCP's Guide to Legal Considerations](#)

[How Do I Make Changes to a Listed Building?](#)

PHASE 1- PREPARATION

Step 1
(2 Parts)
Produce a Mission Plan & Property Plan

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Step 2
Do your Research

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Step 3
Conduct a Feasibility Study*

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Step 4
Review and Decide Next Steps

How does your church:

- See its next chapter developing?
- Serve your current needs?
- Serve the needs of the local area?
- Support the Circuit & District mission?
- Interact with the local community & other Christian groups?
- View redevelopment?

- Support from Property Support Team
- Advice From District Property Secretary
- Enquire from TMCP about deeds, rights of access & restrictive covenants
- Contact Conservation about listed buildings & conservation areas
- Find out what other churches have done

- Seek Professional Planning Advice*
- Sketch about the project (concept design)
- Obtain a preliminary quote for the work
- Pull together a draft budget
- Develop a draft business plan


*Up to £10,000 on a 60/40 split can be awarded from the Property Development Committee

- Any issues on site needing to be resolved?
- Is this the best solution?
- What are the Benefits? Drawbacks?
- Is it Sustainable?
- Realistic Funding Targets?
- Potential Project Leader and Team?

CONVENTIONAL STEP

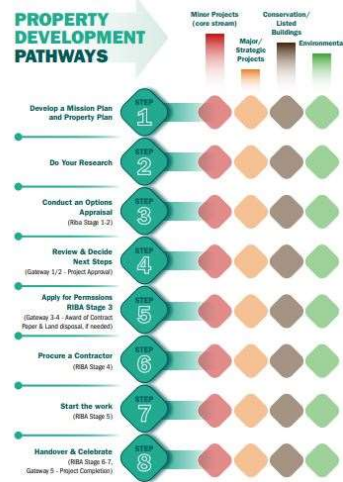
RIBA STAGE 1-3

DECISION POINT



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- Core Pathway
- Listed Building & Conservation Pathway
- Partnerships Pathway
- Environmental Pathway




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How to use the pathways

- Prompts at each step
- RIBA Work Stages
- Gateway decision points




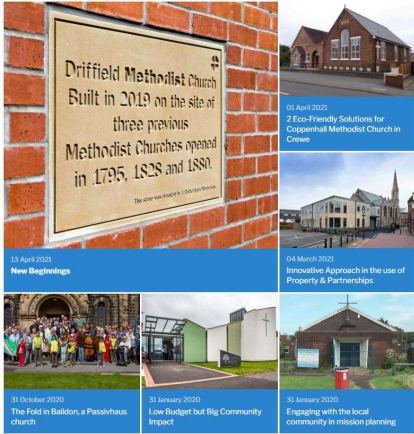
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Inspiration pages

Looking for Inspiration?

www.methodist.org.uk/property/inspiration/

Let us know if your church has a story to share.



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Other Resources

- Property Matters
- Mission Enabler
- Connexional team



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Thank you!

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