

Hagga Project Questionnaire Response

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important – everyone deserves to have a safe and functional space. It's even more imperative as this is a space of worship, community and a cultural hub for those in the community.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, however, it's okay to move forward and make changes where necessary. This doesn't take away from the heritage but is building on it if additional structures were added. If this means that it accommodates for the needs of the church and the people it serves.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

It would be more inviting, for sure. If the refurbishment is in response to the needs of the community making it more of an accessible and suitable space, then it will have a legacy impact.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

Church is more than a place to worship, but a place for people to gather and get the support and help they need. So many see it as a refuge as well as a place where communities can be strengthened, culture preserved and a place where solutions can be found when there are issues in the community that require practical as well as spiritual assistance.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Absolutely. This is necessary.

Pat M.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's extremely important. The church is not just a place for worship but also a central space for events, meetings, and community gatherings. A safe and functional environment is essential for continuing these activities.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, preserving the church's heritage is very important. It has historical value that contributes to the character of our neighbourhood and serves as a reminder of the community's past.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Refurbishment will allow us to continue offering essential services and events for the community, ensuring the church remains a welcoming space for all. It will also enhance the building's safety and functionality for generations to come.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church plays a vital role in uniting people across different backgrounds and offering support through its services and programs. It's a place for people to connect, seek guidance, and help each other.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Absolutely. Without proper maintenance, the church could lose its ability to serve as a central gathering point. Ensuring its structural integrity is essential to its continued function.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

Very important! A safe space allows people to come together without concern, fostering a sense of security and community.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, the architecture is part of the local identity. It's a piece of history that gives the area charm and character.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Refurbishment will make the space more accessible and usable for a variety of community activities. It will allow us to host more programs, making the church a more vibrant centre for everyone.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church serves as a welcoming place where people can find comfort, make meaningful connections, and engage in outreach programs that support the broader community.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, a well-maintained building ensures that the church can continue to provide the space needed for worship, education, and outreach. Structural integrity is fundamental to its survival as a community hub.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

The church is to the community like the home is to the family. The safety of individuals and having a space for community activities is of paramount importance

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

This nation was built on Christian principles and whilst architectural heritage is of importance I grateful for the symbolism of church building structures that remind us where we came from and where we are going, that our faith principles stand the test of the ages.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Having a comfortable place in the community where people can meet is always advantageous to the local and wider community.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

Many significant activities such as weddings, blessings and funerals take place in this church. It brings the community together in good and bad times and this is why it is a central hub for the community.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes – see above

Trevor C.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's essential. The church serves as a gathering place for many activities, and making sure it remains safe is crucial for its continued use.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Definitely. The church is a key historical landmark, and preserving its design contributes to the area's charm, attracting visitors and maintaining local pride.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Refurbishment will allow us to host a variety of events, such as workshops, concerts, and community outreach programs. It will become a versatile space for everyone to enjoy and use.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church is a focal point where people from all walks of life come together. It provides spiritual nourishment as well as practical help through community services, like food banks and counselling.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes. A well-maintained church building is more inviting, functional, and reliable, making it a lasting resource for the community's needs.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important to me. The church is central to my life, and ensuring it's safe and functional allows it to continue fulfilling its mission.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, the church is a symbolic and architectural landmark that adds to the charm and history of the neighbourhood. Preserving it helps maintain the area's uniqueness.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Refurbishment will help attract more visitors, enhance church programs, and make it easier for community members to engage in events. It's an investment in the community's future.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church provides a spiritual home for many and supports the community through charitable work. It's a place for individuals to connect and receive help in times of need.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, keeping the building in good repair is essential for safety, accessibility, and the ability to host diverse programs that serve the community.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's extremely important. A safe and functional space allows the church to continue fulfilling its role as a spiritual home and community centre.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, the church is a historical part of the area. Its architecture reflects the history of the community, and preserving it helps maintain that historical link.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

The church will be able to serve more people, offer more programs, and be a more accessible space for everyone in the community, whether they attend services or use the building for other activities.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church offers a sense of belonging and serves as a place where people can receive emotional and spiritual support. It's a place for both worship and community outreach.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, the church needs to remain structurally sound to continue serving as a gathering place for worship and community events. It's essential for its long-term viability.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important. The church is a cornerstone of our community and should be a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Absolutely. The church is not just a place of worship; it is a historic monument that contributes to the area's cultural heritage.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Refurbishment will ensure that the church continues to serve the community, both as a place of worship and as a venue for various local events, such as youth programs, educational sessions, and more.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church is a support system, offering spiritual guidance and practical help. It brings people from different walks of life together for common causes and shared values.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, keeping the building in good condition is necessary for the church to continue its mission of serving as a community hub. It ensures safety and functionality.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It is extremely important. The church provides a space for uplifting services that encourage and inspire me. I have been regularly attending church services in this building since the New Testament Church of God acquired and restored it in 1976. It also serves as a vital social hub, where attending services, functions, is often the highlight of the week for Christians believers and visitors who just drop in. It is important that the building is welcoming, warm and pleasant to be in. Both of my parent's funerals were at this church and they were also members of this congregation, who helped raise funds to purchase it and restored it from its dilapidated state.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, absolutely. The church is a Grade II listed building and a cherished part of Sheffield's rich history. Preserving it honours the past while ensuring it remains a landmark for future generations.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

The refurbishment will ensure the church remains a welcoming space for parishioners and the wider community. It is a place for major life events, including funerals, baby dedications, and weddings, particularly for the Black community. Additionally, other churches use the building for large events, further strengthening community ties.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church plays a vital role in fostering community spirit. It is not only a place of worship but also a social space where people gather, connect, and support one another. This is especially significant for Easter Services, Windrush Services and Christmas Carol Services etc where the community (Non members) like to make it occasions to visit church and the church puts on community focus events.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, it is crucial. Maintaining the building will ensure it continues to serve the congregation and wider community. The church is not only a place of worship but also a space for important community events. Proper upkeep will help it continue to be a cherished hub for generations to come. Each year in September the church takes part on Heritage Open Days when it opens its doors to the community to look around and I extend this invitation to your team.

Shirnet S.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important. A safe and functional church allows for spiritual growth, fellowship, and practical community outreach.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, preserving the church's architectural style helps maintain the visual and historical character of the area, giving it a unique identity.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

The refurbishment will improve the quality and accessibility of church programs, benefiting not only members but also the broader community who use the church as a resource.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church is essential in fostering community spirit. It brings people together, creates a sense of belonging, and supports local causes and services, like outreach programs and charity events.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, maintaining the church is essential to keeping it functional for all community members, ensuring it can host services, events, and support programs.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important to ensure that the church continues to be a place for worship and community activities without any safety concerns. A well-maintained church is a reflection of our values.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, the church's architectural design is deeply embedded in the area's identity. Preserving it maintains that charm and historical significance.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

It will provide an updated, more functional space that can support a variety of activities, from community outreach to social gatherings, benefiting people for years to come.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

The church plays a key role in connecting people, offering a space for mutual support and creating opportunities for individuals to come together for meaningful activities.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, a structurally sound building is crucial for the church to serve as the community's gathering place, allowing for a variety of events to continue safely.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

Very, it's a safe place for everyone

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, a church has history for both young and old

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

If a church is left to crumble, the history is lost as a place of worship.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

Important, in times of trouble there is a place to go that everyone can go to and pray, unite and bring comfort.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Absolutely, as stated above.

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

Very important. Been attending for 45 years. Its my second "home" a place of refuge and serenity.

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Very important and that's why we take part in Heritage Open Days every year. People who used to attend the church or lived in the area in the 40s, 50s and 60s come back to visit and reminisce about their past. Some marvel at the fact it is still mostly in its original state as a lot of churches have become modernised internally. The history is still there. This church building stands out as a beacon amidst the tall modern buildings.

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

We need to retain historical buildings. School children need to be able to see and physically explore history rather than just read about it.

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

Nursery St church is renowned amongst Sheffield community as being one of the biggest, cleanest, well maintained older church buildings. Everyone knows the church and we hold the most celebrations and memorials in the city for all nations. We can't afford to lose this building as it is used by all therefore for many reasons, Health and safety being the main one, it needs to be structurally sound. It's very important to the community, and a place of welcoming to everyone.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, I do, I definitely believe that it will in the wider and long term. Having this church in the community does play a vital role for everybody

Sheryl

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

It's very important that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities, as it has been a huge part of my upbringing one of my children was blessed at the church and the family life centre was where her catering was

Both the church and the family centre hosted My late Grandmother: Sister Dorinda Hutton Rose's funeral and wake and my uncle Tony's funeral plus many more I have many memories of nursery street and was only talking about New Testament church of God today to a lady from Shilo church

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Yes, preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area as it needs to be in keeping with the surrounding buildings of that era for posterity When looking back at photos it needs to be recognised as part of the community from generations past for generations of the future

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

The refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term by providing a suitable venue to host both religious and family celebrations birthdays, anniversaries and events which could range from vocal performances to poetry Talks on scripture choir practice cooking soup kitchens and meetings about the signs of the times Let's make nursery street great again

If the church better advertised itself in areas where lost souls reside in both a God fearing and enticing manner the church could play a core role in in bringing community spirit salvation and hope to people in need of Christ.

By preaching the importance of present males loving husbands and the man loving his wife as Christ loved the church The message could help many marriages in turn helping the children of future generations

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

By keeping it simple the church can become an integral part of the wider community.

Do you think keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community?

Yes, keeping the church building in good structural order is crucial for it to remain a central hub for the community. It is a building dedicated to the lord it must be kept in good condition out of respect for the lord It needs to be a calm sanctuary not somewhere you feel the draft and is unkept. People need to want to be there and feel like it's home.

Doreen

It is important the church is up to date with modern functions in order to service to the needs of its parishioners. This may mean restoration of the church building to maintain its safety as well as modernisation to adapt to today's accessibility. I do think this needs to go hand in hand with the churches appearance and character to persevere its architectural heritage and history whilst also maintaining its look. This will also go with the surrounding buildings and historical importance in the neighbourhood. This will help maintain and carry on for future generations as a venue for worship and for future events like birth celebrations, marriages and funerals etc as well as a community hub every day for the community and wider community. For everyday use the church will need to adapt in ways to provide sanctuary for the people in a safe and welcoming as well as inclusive way. This may mean adaptations for wheelchair access as well as adaptations to provisions such as food services for the community and modern amenities. The church is important for this as it can bring people together in many ways and events. It may mean the church can also help in roles such as a place for entertainment, business and celebrations and not just as a place of worship also in a manner that promotes and thanks the lord above for these opportunities. The church has a wonderful history and architecture that needs preserving, restoring and in some ways modernising to keep up with modern changes and fulfilments. This will be a massive assist to the community, city and wider area bringing people together and a positive future and enjoyment.

James O'C

How important is it to you that the church building remains a safe and functional space for worship and community activities?

Very important how can praise and worship go on without the church being safe

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Definitely it's part of history

Do you feel that preserving the church's architectural heritage is essential for maintaining the character of our local area?

Building will not fall in disrepair and as such may encourage more people to attend

How do you think the refurbishment of the church building will benefit the wider community in the long term?

Big you can always count on the church to be there

In your opinion, what role does the church play in bringing people together and supporting the local community?

Yes

Karen S.
