



Lifehouse Elim Church

Value: £440K

Location: Worcester

Services:

Architecture

Building Services (MEP)

Civil & Structural Engineering

Interior Design

Lifehouse Church selected ONE as their multi
-disciplinary designer knowing that as a
Grade 2 listed building there were likely to be
a number of challenges in this refurbishment
project. As the project progressed from
concept, through Planning and into
construction, this decision became justified,
and in particular ONE was found to be very
responsive and easy to work with. Lifehouse
are delighted with the end result and ONE's
concept is proving to work really well
functionally and in the overall appearance of
the refurbished building.

John Turner

on behalf of Elim Church

The Brief

ONE's multi-disciplinary team was commissioned for the internal refurbishment of a Grade II Listed church, which included incorporating the neighbouring former residential property, to improve and enhance the existing church facilities.





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Project Overview

ONE's design combined these two properties into one cohesive building with creative solutions to make the most of the available space and maximise light, while always respecting the listed building's original features.

The design opens up the existing worship hall whilst keeping and enhancing the original features to allow for better flow between the two buildings, which also creates a larger function room when it is needed. A multi-functional space is, therefore, being created which is suitable for larger events as well as a meeting room, a new kitchen/servery and café, improved welfare facilities, a new welcoming reception area and a play space/creche for children.

ONE conducted a structural survey on the Grade II Listed Building and then proposed structural alterations to bring the two properties together. The team co-ordinated a bespoke three arched lintel for the façade of the front elevation which now shows one unified building. The result is an enhanced street scene with a cohesive frontage to the buildings with a new rendered and arched glazing frontage on the main street, mirroring that of the existing church building.



The Benefits

Working with listed buildings – Clients know that they can trust ONE's experienced team to sensitively enhance and preserve listed and historical buildings. Here the original features from the listed building were the inspiration for a creative design that is providing one cohesive building.

Integrated multi-disciplinary team – ONE's clients benefit from one point of contact with access to a full design team. The team see the project from every angle from the outset which we believe leads to better design.

Experience across sectors – ONE has vast experience across sectors and provides innovative and creative bespoke designs to bring our clients' visions to life.

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