

Drylaw Parish Church

Comfortable

Innovation

I like the colouring – calm

Welcoming

I would like to see it finished

So much potential

I just want to spend time here – I want to be here

Open and flexible

Calm and accessible

Feeling of togetherness

Feeling inclusive and thoughtful use of space

Welcoming and it has a lot

Light and togetherness

I like the connection between the symbolism and everyday life

I like the ideas it gives us for our own church

Light and bright

Pews removed a number of years ago

But the chairs were always facing the front

Now an arrangement with communion table

In the middle of the church

Using the corners as a 'memorial corner'

and for an arts-crafts corner

with the chancel to be an 'indoor garden'



Newhaven Parish Church

Very Imaginative and Flexible

Amazingly flexible

Comfy

Really modern and beautiful

I like it!

It feels it's cold and the same all way through

Feels a bit eerie but a lot could be doing with it use it for a lot of different aspects

I could see this working in Raploch

Incredible flexible but cold – can't feel the spirit in this place

I envisage this in raploch

Space is quite nice but a cool area because we are basement

Imaginative use of space- I like the chairs - and I like the idea you can bring out the dais and put it away gives more flexible use of the whole space

Very linear – not sure I like – but I like the

Very open tool – I think it's a tool for our purposes

Spacious but cold

Swedish

Multifunctional and good big kitchen at the heart

Quite hard because it's made to work hard – a workhorse – with some nice touches - a miracle because this church just about wasn't here

I am a Scandinavian – I like it – the thing I worry about is putting God away after the service



Marchmont St Giles Parish Church

Amazed at the Stained glass - makes it dark but plenty of ways to get light in

Like the idea of things going to be happening in the church – don't have any opinions of theological restrictions on space

I like the stained glass windows – but awful dull for such a big space

I just like all the all community coming into this one space – brought into the church

Don't like it – but I like the café

Brave try!

I like the new stuff that's been done and what s to be done in the church is very challenging

Interesting work in progress!

Lovely to see the mother & toddlers enjoying themselves and feeling at home – big contrast between the old and new

Quite inspiring – I like the idea of mixing new with old – like the idea of keeping the history

Café links with the community

It's a lovely facility – but what I take away is the courage of the people doing it – and the complete lack of fear

Space for people to sit in the garden

I like the cafe and the light and how that contrasts with the church

Lots of clever bits and pieces – seems to work

Very good integration of space in the new bit – good luck to them in the old bit that will be quite a challenge but they are clearly up for it

I like it ... the garden

I like the whole use of space here – so much going on – enough place to be open but space to be private at the same time

They have made this a place where the community feels this is their church – whatever church means and church means different things to different people - an easy building to come into – good entrance good doors. I love modern art (butterfly glass panels & wood carving) why should all church art be Victorian



Edinburgh University Chapel

I like the connection between the outside and inside

Beautiful - peaceful

I like to see nature as well – I've just seen a robin sitting on that tree over there

I feel it's a sacred space

I find this space deeply spiritual

Beautiful -tranquil

I love the front of the building but I find the roof quite oppressive

Nice place to sit and think

I agree that it's tranquil – but I think it is also quite impressive the trees outside looking in but the tree-like structure inside looking out – lovely!

Tranquil – I love the connectedness not just with nature but also with the city and human life outside so you are not cut off

Noah's ark with a big window

Tranquil and spiritual

Beautiful

I didn't like it

Peaceful and beautiful

I find it peaceful – a wee bit weird but it's nice – structures like the trees inside

Light and open – I like the space is different at the front and the back

A space apart from life – sometimes we need apart from life chill-out space – maybe we need a bit of both community and chill out



St Martin's

Brenda's advice to us

- In your imagination walk through every single door and imagine it
- Don't get a plain floor but a fleck in it so you don't see footmarks
- Kitchen door viewing panel in door so you see people coming
- Dishwasher too close to the door ... tiny wee things like that
- Keep an eye on your plans

I like the windows and the light and the 'new' colours

I think it is awful plain – I don't like it

I agree but I like the openness of the windows and that it can get shut over as well

I like the kitchen! Yes I agree!

The warm welcome when we came in ... it is quite catchy ... but I think it is quite plain inside

You have achieved a great deal in a very small space – very clever planning

Plainness of it so it can be adaptable to whatever changes happen

Practical – multifunctional – I like the glass walls so people can look in and see what's happening is 'normal and human'

Simple solution to problems – practical yet attractive

Simplicity – but I really like this simple building which the congregation will over a period themselves inhabit it and adapt it and make it their own - 'take it over'... rather than the architect doing it all

Relate to more like being a community centre

Small building big potential

Very functional I like the use the windows and the transparency

Commend what they have done and their vision for it

Very modern and bright - very functional

Adaptability

The main part feels like a hall church to me – surprise to see the hatch from the kitchen direct to the sanctuary – I like a room open to the front street maybe the café could be there?

I have had the advantage of coming here on a Sunday and a concert one night I've seen Russel and the team working with the multimedia – even look at the website – it changes – same on a Sunday – some of you might like the use of media here – multimedia church



Penicuik North Parish Church

Outstanding – and a warm welcome

Good example of building working for itself and working for the community

Example of what you can do with old buildings

I like the entrance bit – nice and warm and open

Church says ‘Come in and see what’s going on here!’

Very comfortable and welcoming and I love your stained glass

Best disabled church we’ve been in

I’ve enjoyed being in here and I feel our church in Raploch could adapt to something like this

Shows what can be done when people get together

Loved the multifunctional purpose of the church

Shows what can be done with an old building

Good welcome – there are few compromises so I think it works well

Beautiful and peaceful!

I find it nice walking in here – it’s all nice open space and shows what you can do out of the old and in with the new

Good use of the sanctuary

I think this would win me over – welcome tremendous – made you feel quite at peace right away

Great welcome – and a beautiful building

I like what they’ve done with the disabled toilet (shower) and I liked the kitchen – all very close to each other and easy to come and go between them all

The space between the pavement and the front door is good – speaking to all the passers-by – with signs and board and flags – all very important.

