

## **Heritage Regeneration**

The Churches Conservation Trust (CCT) Regeneration Team develop projects that make a real and lasting difference to people and communities. We conserve heritage and make it more accessible to a wider range of audiences, and will work with you to develop and deliver your project vision.

We offer a range of consultancy services to develop historic building projects, from funding advice and feasibility studies, through governance and capacity building, to delivery strategies and project management.

The Churches Conservation Trust (CCT) is the national charity protecting historic churches at risk. As the owner of over 350 sites across England, we understand the challenges that can face those who care for historic buildings: deteriorating fabric, funding shortfalls, inadequate facilities, and the risk of closure.

We also know that historic places can inspire people to come together to revitalise their communities. Conservation and regeneration projects can have a significant positive impact by creating skilled jobs and opportunities for volunteering; reducing carbon through the reuse of older buildings; growing tourism and the local economy; and enhancing local pride and a sense of place. Our approach is to promote the sustainable stewardship of historic buildings, so that problems of decay and underuse are tackled before they become overwhelming.





## **Consultancy Services**

The CCT has a dedicated Regeneration Team of in-house specialists who are experienced in all aspects of heritage regeneration. The team deliver projects that attract investment from major funders, and other sources of public and private finance.

The team brings problem solving skills to find creative solutions for buildings at risk, and we design projects that deliver demonstrable benefits for communities, working alongside local people to achieve these. We work with all kinds of community and faith groups, charities, social enterprises, businesses, entrepreneurs, and public bodies to create successful regeneration projects.

Associates we work with include Project
Managers, Community Engagement Advisers,
Conservation Project Managers, Community
Consultants, Architects, Quantity Surveyors,
Interpretation and Activity Planners, Business
and Enterprise, and regeneration specialists,
all with extensive experience of historic building
regeneration, from feasibility studies for the
smallest site to the project management of
significant heritage regeneration projects
offering consultancy services to clients across
the UK, and internationally.

Previous clients include local authorities. and public agencies, charities and voluntary organisations, such as building preservation trusts, community development trusts and church congregations, Diocese and Museums.

Our completed projects have transformed many buildings, and since 2007 the team has won fourteen awards including six Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors awards for Community Benefit, Building Conservation and Project of the Year for All Souls Bolton.

Our offer is bespoke and can be tailored to your needs, just let us know what your problem is and we can talk through some solutions with you.



















## **How Can We Help**



#### Beginning a Project

- Advice on how to begin a regeneration or conservation project, bring together a team, write a brief, identify and apply for initial funding, and project governance.
- Community consultation: understanding the needs of the wider community and generating local support for your project.



#### **Project Planning**

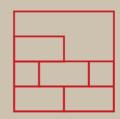
- · Identify proposals for creative re-use of redundant listed buildings.
- · Interpretation and Activity plans and community engagement
- · Compiling a business case or project viability report.
- Understanding the scope for alterations within listed building and conservation area legislation and policies.
- Historical research and understanding heritage significance, including Statements of Significance
- Feasibility studies and options appraisals: working with a design team and quantity surveyor to explore options which are practical, sensitive to historic significance, sustainable, and costeffective.
- · Considering and evaluating options to improve environmental sustainability.



#### **Fundraising**

- Building a case for support and writing a bid.
- Developing bids to submit to major funders alongside documents required to support the bid process (Business, Activity, Learning, Interpretation, Governance and Management, Evaluation Plans, focussing on economic sustainability, diversity, inclusion and access).
- Project fundraising strategies and securing match funding.





#### **Project Management**

- Full project management for RIBA Plan of Work stages 0-7.
- Establishing a heritage skills training programme or apprenticeships as part of the project.
- · Community engagement during construction.
- · Crisis management: cost control, design reviews, business plan revisions.



#### **Operational Support**

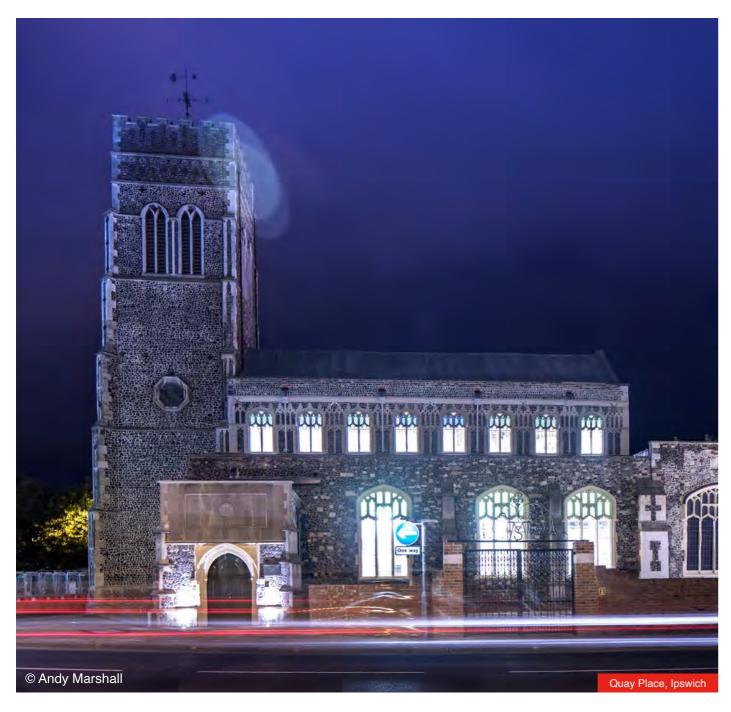
- · Management of snagging and defects process to the end of the rectification period.
- Evaluation of community consultations, business models and governance to support improved site operations.
- · Handover support, including facilities management and maintenance advice.



### Workshops and Training

 Bespoke training to suit your needs on a range of areas including consultation and fundraising, activity and business planning, management and governance, repair and adaptation planning, interpretation, access and inclusivity.





#### Team

We are a small creative team with experience across a range of sectors including community regeneration, social enterprise, historic conservation, training and apprenticeships, youth work, business and activity planning, digital strategies, the natural environment, and project management. We support community groups, parishes and Diocese around the country to develop community-led regeneration schemes.

Meet the team here:

www.visitchurches.org.uk/what-we-do/regeneration-and-communities

#### Fees

Our fees are highly competitive, offering excellent value for money.

All profits support the charitable objectives of the Churches Conservation Trust.



### **Get In Touch**

# We would love to discuss your project with you and how we might be able to assist.

Please email consultancy@thecct.org.uk

You can also follow our work on
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