

## Redevelopment

Lottery Funded restoration -  
Grade II listed Church

**Contract Duration**  
15 Months

**Value**  
£1.2m

**Main Contractor**  
John Turner Construction Ltd

**Client**  
Halton & St Helens Voluntary  
and Community Action



### St Marie's Church

St Marie's  
Lugsdale Road  
Widnes  
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#### Key Facts

- Extensive experience in restoration projects
- Maintained high standards for work in this industry

### St Marie's Church, Widnes

This Heritage Lottery Funded project redeveloped and restored a Grade II listed church building to become a vibrant hub for community activity.

The building was sustainably transformed with furniture and fittings diligently recycled and reused throughout the historic building including the listed altar, church pews, statues and organ. The altar gates were removed, renovated and refitted back in position.

The listed building was extended providing a lobby area and entrance into the impressive refurbished church.

John Turner's in-house joinery workshop modified and relocated an existing stained glass and timber screen to a different position and floorboards were carefully restored retaining some of the historic features of the church. Other joinery items manufactured included desks, bookcases and a reception counter. M&E works included heating, lighting, CCTV and video access control.

Conservation and restoration to stone and brickwork was carried out as well as stained glass and window repairs, reconstruction and replacement of the bell tower and refurbishment of all areas of the church internally.

Confessional areas were converted into a kitchen and computer server room. Glazed offices and meeting rooms were formed in the wings of the church hall providing a sympathetic and subtle feel to the building.

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