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CONTRACT DETAILS

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CHURCH FOR BIRDWELL METHODIST CHURCH, BIRDWELL, BARNSELY.

Client: Birdwell Methodist Church

Consultant Architect: Auburn Ainsley

Completion date: March 2004

Value: £500,000.00



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The construction of a steel framed two storey Church with stone brick and block cavity wall envelope and concrete raft.

Full internal fit out including under floor heating.

External works included a car-park and a retaining wall.

AWARD

The Scheme was awarded a Special Mention Award at the BMBC Design and Site Stewardship Awards 2003/04.



CHALLENGES

During the excavation works, a network of tunnels was discovered. They were first thought to be the cellars to the former Library. However, they were found to be the Second World War air-raid shelters for the adjacent school.

Birdwell resident Muriel Trigg attended the school during the war. "The tunnels were not very nice, but the war was a scary time. The tunnels were quite a fair size because the whole school and teachers would go down there". After extensive discussion on site with the Structural Engineers, sadly the tunnels had to be filled in to maintain the integrity of the new concrete raft foundation.

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