Empowering Design Practices

Call out for potential projects and case studies of historic places of worship as catalysts for connecting communities

The Open University and project partners English Heritage, the Historic Religious Buildings Alliance, Heritage Lottery Fund and The Glass-House Community Led Design are pleased to announce the launch of a new, five-year action research project, Empowering Design Practices*.

Through this collaboration, we will explore how community-led design can help empower those who look after historic places of worship to create more open, vibrant and sustainable places that respect and enhance the heritage.
If you are involved in or know of a project which could be a case study or a potential project to support, we would like to hear from you, by Tuesday 13 January 2015.

For more information or to submit a project for consideration, please contact Louise Dredge, Outreach and Impact Manager on louise@theglasshouse.org.uk.

We look forward to sharing further information with you about this new collaboration in January 2015.

‘Empowering Design Practices: historic places of worship as catalysts for connecting communities is a £1.5m research project funded by Arts and Humanities Research Council under the Connected Communities and Design highlight notice. It is a collaborative partnership between the Open University (Faculties of Maths, Computing and Technology, Arts and Institute of Educational Technology) and organisations outside the Higher Education sector including English Heritage, the Historic Religious Buildings Alliance, Heritage Lottery Fund, and The Glass-House Community Led Design. The project benefits from practical and strategic support from professionals Wright and Wright Architects, Live Works, Silent Cities, and heritage consultant Becky Payne, among others.

Season's Greetings / Christmas Hours

The Glass-House Community Led Design would like to wish our friends and followers a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Please note that our office will be closed from 23 December 2014 until 5 January 2015. We will do our best to respond to any enquiries as soon as possible on our return.

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