

Citizenship: KS2/3

Debate: The future of historic buildings



Why do we bother to rescue, renovate and restore historic buildings? Why do people think they are important to rescue and why do others demolish them? Are they important to the community and heritage of an area or just an expensive, outdated eye-sore?

These are some of the questions faced by the team involved in renovating Lye Chapel. Here are a few of their arguments for keeping the Chapel:

Penny - Registrar

Historic buildings are just that, part of our history. we are custodians of these important sites for future generations. Buildings and their use can change over time and it is essential that new life is given to properties such as chapels so that it can be enjoyed by citizens in generations to come.

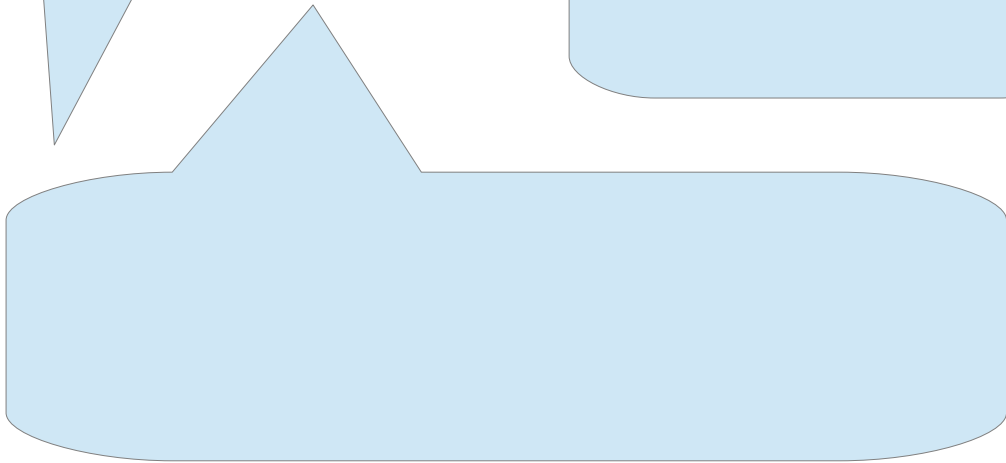
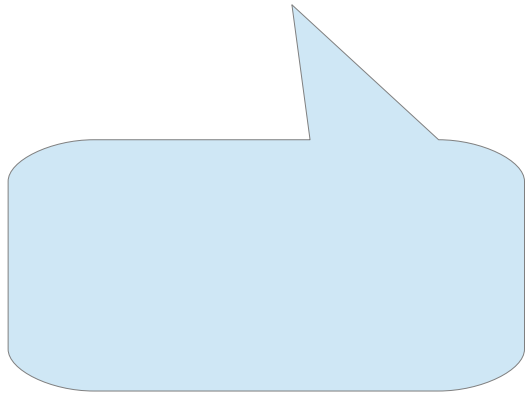
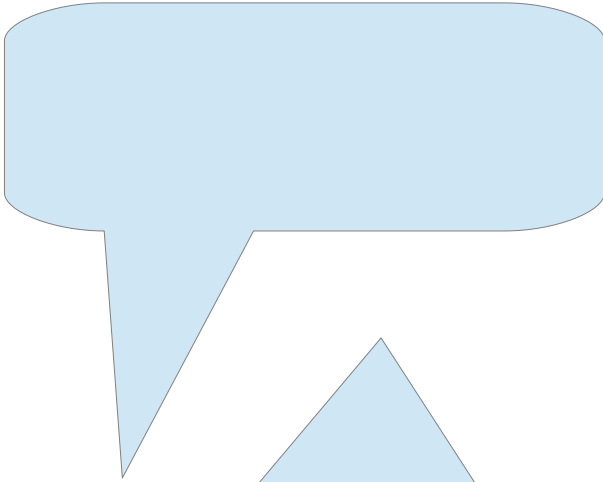
Jean - Local Historian

Historic buildings such as the Lye and Wollescote Cemetery Chapels, are a tangible link with the past. Preserving them is essential for the better understanding of a community and its history.

Ian - Project Manager

I would like to introduce innovative uses and ensure the chapels have a long term future. The range of uses which are being introduced are excellent and will provide a basis on which we can go forward. We have been able to involve local schools and introduce Work experience and technical skills from students giving A sense of ownership which we hope will be extended once the Initial work has been completed.

What are your arguments to save the Chapels?



What are your arguments to not save the Chapels?

