

# The Playfair Prize Finalists 2015



**All Saints, West Camel**

There has been a church on this site since 995; the current building is mostly 14<sup>th</sup> century and Grade I listed.

During February 2006 - 2007 works to provide water and upgrade electricity supplies allowed for the provision of a disabled toilet and servery. A balcony was built at the west end under which the new facilities were installed. The organ was moved to the balcony creating greater space in the chancel and a small meeting room with glass screen formed in the north transept.



**New organ gallery with servery and facilities beneath**



**Holy Trinity, Norton Malreward**

A 12<sup>th</sup> century, Grade II listed building with a beautiful Norman chancel arch.

In 2012, between February and April work was undertaken that reordered the south aisle, moved the font, provided a disabled toilet, screened kitchen and audio visual system. The work involved moving the organ from its position at the head of the south aisle back to its original position behind the choir in the chancel thus making space for the kitchen and toilet.



**The reordered south aisle with wc and servery behind the screen**



**St Andrew's, Blagdon**

The tower dates from the 15<sup>th</sup> century and is one of Somerset's tallest. The remainder of the church was rebuilt in 1907-09 by Lord Winterstoke of the Wills family.

Work started in April 2013 and was completed in August 2014. This created a community space, included removing some pews, a servery in a pod in the north aisle, flower room and fully accessible toilet in a matching pod in the south aisle, and in the tower a choir vestry and toilet and above a meeting room with fully glazed wall looking down on the nave. Engraved doors at the entrance in the south porch.



**An exhibition in progress using the new space and servery**



**St Cuthbert's, Wells**

An imposing Grade I listed church, which dates back to the 13th century with a fine Somerset tower and carved roof.

Works in 2006 and between 2008 have created an open community space, parish office housed in a pod in the south aisle and kitchen/servery housed in a matching pod in the north aisle. Also included were works to provide disabled access, toilets and storage.

In 2014 a small quiet chapel/meeting room has been created in the north transept, separated from the nave by a glass screen.



The new Holy Trinity Chapel in the north transept



**St Luke's, Bath**

Built in 1860 on the site of an old market garden on Wells way.

The Scheme undertaken between September 2009 and April 2013 has improved and widened accessibility. The work included complete removal of pews, opening up the north transept to provide a café with entrance to the church from the old north porch and with offices and a 'meetings' balcony above. Also the provision of storage, office and congregation servery along the south wall. A new south door with easy access replaces the old south porch which now houses toilets.



The flexible nave space



**St Peter's, Evercreech**

A 14th century Grade I listed building with a beautiful tower. There is a curious error on the clock face where XI (11) has been omitted and there appear to be two XII (twelves)!

The re-ordering project, one of the earliest, completed in 2007, included a small kitchen/servery under the south gallery and toilet with baby changing area discretely placed under the north gallery.

Improved access and a welcoming reception area were created at the west end.



The servery under the gallery in the south aisle