

**Extract from Draft Minutes of Meeting of Caldwell Congregational Board - 28th
January 2021.**

Proposed reordering of the sanctuary

After a lengthy and detailed discussion of the proposed reordering of the sanctuary, the 15 members present voted by show of hands. There were 14 votes for the proposals and 1 against.

Accordingly, the decisions of the Congregational Board are as detailed: -

It was agreed in principle to undertake the project as outlined in the Report dated 8th January 2021, namely, that the pews be removed from the sanctuary and replaced with chairs, that a new heating system be installed, that new floor coverings be laid, and that wall panels, doors and other areas as appropriate be painted and decorated.

It was agreed in principle that a budget be set for this work amounting to a maximum of £49,000.

It was agreed to form a small working group to consider the details of this project and which will take into consideration comments and feedback from the wider congregation and community as we go through a consultation and communication exercise. This working group to consist of Minister, Clerks, Property Team, and that the group may co-opt 2 others from the congregation who were interested and wished to be involved.

It was agreed that in due course of time, having consulted and communicated, we review the project in light of feedback received and the details provided by the small working group. No timescale was set for this process but it would be monitored to ensure progress continues to be made.

The Chair thanked everyone for their contributions to the discussions, the Property Team for their hard work in providing such comprehensive and detailed reports on the project, and expressed the hope that as we open up discussion on this plan for our church that it will be a positive and helpful experience for all.