

## Discussion Resources For Church

This series of resources poses questions to prompt discussion amongst church members. It is intended to lead to a fresh understanding of the way in which the Church's buildings can serve the work of the Church.

This follows the book "[Making Property Serve Mission – Rethinking the Church's Buildings 21st-Century](#)" by Fred Batterton. This is a series of on-screen slides to accompany the following questions. Download the slides in PowerPoint (Windows) or Keynote (Mac).

### Part 6: Who Has The Skills To Help?

Questions and comments relate to the following slides:

3. Skills: "But our bodies have many parts and God has put each part just where He wants it" ( 1 Cor 12: 18 NIV) "All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it (1 Cor 12: 27 NIV)
4. Church leaders: Committed pastoral leader / Trusted project team leader / Small team of visionaries / Financial expertise / Clear communication back to all members
5. Stakeholders: All Church members / Council & Heritage Authority (as Req'd) / Denominational body / Neighbours & wider community / Potential building users / Financial institution
6. Architect: Check your site / Design to support your mission / Present to your people / Obtain your permits / Engage your builder / Certify progress and completion
7. Master planners
8. Architect & others
9. Identify opportunities: If we don't need all our property for mission, can we realise value? / An architect can identify potential. / How could we use the value? / Who would be a good neighbour?
10. Ask other churches: What did you learn? / What went well? / What were your challenges? / What would you do differently? / How did you raise the money?
11. Actions: Stir a vision for mission / Select a respected, visionary project leader / Select a small project team / Appoint a suitable, trusted architect / Ask others and press on.
12. Next time: What are the basic design considerations?

