## CHURCH EXTENSION & ENABLING DEVELOPMENT MASTERPLAN TO COMPLETION

## **Encounter Baptist Church, Chadstone, Vic**

## **Description of complex:**

- This small Baptist Church with its disused tennis court and pastor's house reviewed its property in terms of its mission. The old decaying timber hall will be demolished.
- Studio B has determined that the church can be expanded with increased car parking and that 3 new houses can be built on the remainder of the site.
- A planning permit has been granted, allowing a 2-stage development including a future additional floor on the church.
- The new auditorium will seat 150 with the opportunity to expand through an operable wall.

## Design features include:

- The existing church auditorium becomes the new multi-purpose foyer.
- The existing building is on a sloping site and a lift has been incorporated to serve each level..
- Street access to the church includes an outdoor café area serviced directly from the kitchen.
- The children's spaces on the lower ground floor give direct access to an enclosed external play area.
- One of the houses will be retained by the church for the pastor. Value generated from the other two houses will be used to assist funding the church building.

















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