



## Dumfries & Galloway Cases Panel

St John's Church, Dumfries

Dear Mr Kerr

Thank you for including the photographs of the proposed removal of the pews in the church.

Having read the minutes it is obviously a difficult decision for the congregation to take. However it is important that churches, with falling congregations, take steps to encourage younger families to become involved and therefore it makes sense to make the inside of the building as versatile as possible.

You have consulted the AHSS on previous applications which have enhanced the entrance to the church with the re-opening of the tower and the inclusion of the engraved windows. Also for the new bells in the belfry.

We therefore have no objections to the removal of the pews.

Yours sincerely

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