

Religion

St Andrew's Feniton is a Church of England parish church and the only active public place of worship in the village. The building dates back to the 13th century.

It seeks to be open and accessible to all members of the community and to this end a variety of Sunday services are held in the parish church and in the village Church of England school.

Physical access to both buildings is good, although facilities at the parish church are limited by the historic nature of the building.

Traditional activities are actively encouraged and open to all and include bell ringing, choir, flower arranging and many more of the elements associated with village life.

Survey findings

Two thirds of respondents felt that the church was important as a historic building and nearly 50% saw it as important for baptisms, weddings and funerals. A total of 27% said it was important for Sunday worship.

We asked whether people would like to see the religious buildings of the parish (Feniton church and Sidmouth Junction chapel) used for other functions but approximately equal numbers of respondents were for and against this, and over half had no opinion. Those who were in favour liked the idea of concerts and other social events.

“ The church is there when you need a friend and can't find one ”

