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Listing details

Property for:	Sale
Price:	GBP 800,000

Location

Country:	United Kingdom
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Description:

St. Clare's Chapel is a property like no other; a masterclass in the restoration and reinvention of sacred architecture. This Grade II listed former Victorian chapel, nestled in Darlington's prestigious West End, has been meticulously converted into a breathtaking five-bedroom home.

It's rare to find a property that holds such historical and architectural gravitas while being utterly liveable, but this is one of those rare gems.

Entering through the arched stone doorway, you're immediately struck by the sheer scale of the interior. The double-height vaulted ceilings lift your gaze upwards, and that stunning stained glass window demands your attention. It's not just a window; it's a living artwork, with its intricate coloured panes casting dappled light across the stone floors, creating an almost ethereal atmosphere. This window, an incredible piece of Victorian craftsmanship, anchors the space, providing a daily reminder of the building's sacred past while enhancing the grandeur of the living areas.

The interior space flows effortlessly, taking you on a journey through time and style. Walking through, your attention is drawn to the jube, an exceedingly rare and architecturally significant feature. This intricately carved stone screen once separated the choir from the nave in its religious days. Now, it stands as a bold, theatrical centrepiece—a reminder of the building's origins, yet perfectly at home in this contemporary setting. The jube frames the living areas with a sense of history that's impossible to ignore,



creating a striking balance between the intimate and the grand.

The large living area, bathed in light from the stained glass and the expansive original windows, offers a sense of freedom and space. Yet, there's a warmth here, a feeling that this is not just an impressive building, but a home. The kitchen, a sleek, modern space blends effortlessly into this grand setting. It's a room where everyday family moments happen, but framed by stone arches and vaulted ceilings, making even the simple act of cooking an event.

Upstairs, the mezzanine provides a fascinating vantage point. From here, you can look down onto the grand living space below, framed by the arched structure of the chapel. The sense of scale is extraordinary. Each of the five bedrooms is spacious, designed to complement the chapel's historical features while offering all the comforts of modern living. The master suite, with its exposed beams and luxurious en-suite bathroom, is a retreat unto itself. You wake up bathed in soft light from the historic windows, with views over the leafy streets of the West End. The additional bedrooms, each unique, are perfect for family members or guests, each a haven of peace and character.

And what makes this property even more appealing is its location. Darlington's West End is renowned for its tree-lined avenues, grand period homes, and a sense of exclusivity that is rarely matched. Highly regarded schools like Polam Hall School and Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College are within easy reach, making this an ideal choice for families. Nearby, boutique shops, cafes, and fine dining restaurants provide everything you could want at your doorstep. For those who need to travel, Darlington Station offers fast links to London, Newcastle, and Edinburgh, meaning that city life is never far away.

To live at St Clare's Chapel is to live within history, yet history that has been lovingly adapted for modern family life. Every detail, from the restored stonework to the integration of modern technology, has been thought through with care and respect for the building's origins. And that is the magic of St. Clare's Chapel. It's a home that doesn't just look beautiful; it feels beautiful. The craftsmanship and vision that have gone into its transformation are palpable in every room.

Imagine the privilege of waking each day in such a space. Whether it's entertaining friends in the grand open-plan living area, enjoying quiet moments of reflection beneath the vaulted ceilings, or simply soaking in the history around you, this home offers a lifestyle that is quite simply incomparable.

St. Clare's Chapel is not just a property; it's a living, breathing piece of history that has been given a new lease on life. It's rare to find a home that makes such a profound statement, but here, in Darlington's West End, you have the opportunity to own a piece of architectural history that will continue to inspire for generations to come.

Common

Bedrooms:	5
Bathrooms:	4
Finished sq. ft.:	532 sq m

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