

Safer places of Worship

Boilers

The boiler house is often out of sight and accessed from outside. If accessed from outside the building, it can be neglected.

The construction can sometimes be flimsy and it must be looked at carefully. If necessary the door should be replaced or strengthened to provide a substantial barrier. Remember, considerable damage can be done to the structure of the building if the central heating system is made unusable by vandals particularly during the winter months.

If tools or ladders are kept within the boiler house, or, if it gives access to the main building, extra care must be taken. The lock on the door should conform to at least BS 3621 and, if outward opening, be fitted with hinge bolts.

Never store combustible materials within the boiler room as these can be used as fuel.

