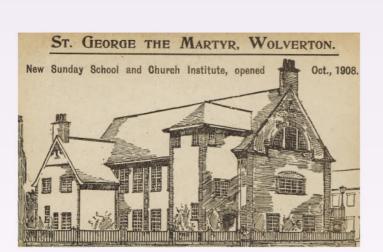
## The Making of Milton Keynes

## October 2008 is the Centenary of Madcap Arts Centre

Madcap's home and host, St George's Institute in Creed Street, emerged from the ashes of a playground to the local school, which occupied the building next door. The school needed more space for pupils and St George's Church needed space for Sunday school and performances.

St George's Institute was the first purpose-built theatre in the area now called Milton Keynes and was funded by the local community raising money through fetes, bazaars and fairs – collecting £5000. The building was designed by architect Charles Aldred Marriot Scott, direct descendent of Giles Gilbert Scott, the designer of the red telephone box.





A sunday school pantomime at the Church Institute, c1960s



The Church Institute, Wolverton 1973



The present day 'Madcap

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