



Everyone wants their Wedding day to be perfect and choosing the right venue for your big day is crucial. We are delighted that you are considering using *The Council House* as your chosen venue. With it's exquisite rooms, sumptuous dining and your own dedicated events organiser, this is an ideal setting for Weddings and Civil Partnerships.

As one of the West's most distinguished venues, *The Council House* offers an exceptional location for your special day. Situated at the foot of Park Street, the long graceful curve of the building borders College Green, which is an oasis in the centre of the city.

Here at *The Council House*, we want to help you make it one of your most memorable days. You will find a friendly and dedicated team with a wealth of knowledge and experience on hand from the moment you make your first enquiry to the actual day itself. We will work with you every step of the way in the planning process of your Wedding offering advice and support. We have built up an excellent reputation and our aim is to help you to tailor your day to suit all your requirements so that it is truly wonderful and enjoyed by all.



## Catering

We recognise that catering for your Wedding day is one of the most important aspects. Whether you would like a formal sit down meal, a relaxed buffet or simply a champagne reception our team of dedicated in-house caterers, who bring a wealth of experience, can provide a superior standard of cuisine accompanied by a professional service for your special day.

Your every taste will be catered for and we can accommodate a wide range of dietary requirements with menus designed to suit every Wedding from traditional to contemporary and from classical seated dinners to canapé receptions. We will endeavor to tailor our catering services to suit your specific needs and pride ourselves on offering delicious and unique menus at the highest standard, using the freshest ingredients.

We also have a range of drinks packages available and an extensive wine list to compliment your chosen menu.



# Rooms for Hire

Each of the equally stunning rooms in The Council House available for your Ceremony can be booked separately or better still combined with the Conference Hall to provide an adjoining reception space and dining area for your Wedding breakfast and evening celebrations, creating a wonderfully impressive feel.

The elegance of the unique rooms will enhance any Wedding or celebration. From the moment you walk in through the magnificent entrance leading into the reception hall, you will feel the building's grandeur.



## THE CONFERENCE HALL

Is the largest of our rooms and is a wonderfully versatile space offering immense natural daylight, which can be tailored to suit any style of Wedding. It has a polished hardwood floor and the exquisite hand painted ceiling is one of the country's largest.

- Can accommodate sit-down dinners and banquets for up to 250
- Space for entertainment and dancing
- Opportunity to decorate the room to suit your celebration
- Bar hire available
- Flexible catering options
- Suitable for DJs, bands and live music
- Licensed for all ceremonies



## LORD MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM

Has a luxurious feel, with it's original period features such as English walnut wood panelling and elegant furniture.

- Offers a warm welcome and intimacy to the bride, groom and their guests
- Can accommodate up to 50 guests
- Able to play accompanying music
- Licensed for all ceremonies



## THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

With it's a spectacular painted ceiling, pews and dais offers a certain formality and splendour which only The Council House can offer.

- Holds up to 200 guests
- Able to play accompanying music
- Opportunity to decorate the room to suit your ceremony
- Licensed for all ceremonies



## FOYER

Whichever room you choose, your guests also have use of our beautiful spacious foyer, which is lined with local Doulling stone and paved with black and white Italian marble flooring. It can be used for guests to greet and gather or for a drinks and canapé reception after your ceremony.



# Other Ceremonies

## CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

We are licensed to hold Civil Partnerships, so why not choose The Council House as the venue for your special day. We will have pleasure in making it one of your most memorable days

## RENEWAL OF VOWS

The Renewal of Vows Ceremony is for any married couple wishing to celebrate their original vows to each other in a special and unique ceremony. It can be used to celebrate any marriage no matter how long your married years are. It may be a special Wedding Anniversary or perhaps if you have married abroad and now wish to share the day with all your friends and family. Here at The Council House we are flexible and dedicated to meet your individual needs.

## BABY NAMING CEREMONIES

Naming Ceremonies are becoming increasingly popular, with each one distinctive in its own way. The Council House is an ideal venue as it offers a unique setting to meet the needs and desires of your family. Although the ceremony is non-religious and is not legally binding, it can be personalised to include poems, readings and music and is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the new arrival of your child.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

A Superintendent Registrar and a Registrar will need to be present at the Marriage, Renewal of Vows and Civil Partnership Ceremonies. They are also available to perform Baby Naming Ceremonies if you would prefer a more formal celebration. In order to ensure that they will be able to attend at your chosen time, you should contact Bristol Register Office at an early stage (up to 12 months in advance) to make an appointment.

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