

THE INSTITUTE OF HISTORIC BUILDING CONSERVATION

LOCAL AUTHORITY TECHNICAL GUIDANCE SCOPING STUDY

1. Introduction

The Technical sub committee of the Institute of Historic Building Conservation wishes to examine the extent and content of technical guidance used by local authorities for guiding historic building owners and members of the public.

The committee suggested a project to investigate what information is already produced and used by local authorities, what the quality of this information is to guide it in considering gaps which could usefully be met through the work of the committee.

The current report is the result of a scoping exercise looking at and piloting the various methods of research in order to formulate a way forward for the project.

2. Background to Technical Sub Committees discussion

The committee had discussed the project and felt that they wanted to produce a methodology for the collection of information. From this they felt a brief could be written to apply for funding from IHBC or outside. The initial idea was to produce a database to record each piece of guidance, contain a few words of abstract on each and record availability (i.e. if it is web based or a printed copy).

3. Previous research on local authority guidance

In 2004, English Heritage commissioned Oxford Brookes University to produce a database of local authority publications on the historic environment. The information was collected by telephone pilot survey and full postal questionnaire. This information is now available on the Historic Environment Local Management (HELM) website.

Data collected related to all aspects of the historic environment and not just, as this project

requires, to technical publications. The EH research excluded site-specific guidance such as planning briefs or conservation area appraisals but did include a very wide variety of information on all aspects of conservation (conservation areas, planning permission, highways, general guidance etc). 155 authorities responded to the EH research (approximately 31% of the authorities in England). Of those responding the majority (79%) produced published guidance on historic environment matters. It would however appear that the production of technical guidance is considerably more limited.

4. Drawing out technical guidance from the HELM guidance library

The HELM guidance library was examined and the technical guidance extracted from the lists. This was confined to those documents whose title clearly indicated it as technical guidance. Details were not collected of documents which were general guides for Listed Buildings and may contain some limited and basic technical information, unless the title indicates some technical content.

The list retrieved from HELM is attached at Appendix 1 and has been collated and grouped by subject area.

The subjects covered are broadly as one might predict; addressing common conservation issues rather than complicated technical issues which may only be rarely met by historic building owners and which do not warrant the time and resources to produce formal guidance.

The largest number of guidance documents (20) is on the repair of windows. There are a number of guides on brickwork repair (4), stonework (4), other general repair (7), the selection of appropriate materials (5) and general roof repairs (9).) The use of lime is covered generally (4) and also specifically in repointing (17) or plaster and renders (6). There is some advice on specific materials such as roof materials (5) timber (4) and glass (2). A few authorities have tackled problem areas such as damp (1), structural problems (2) and building cleaning (1). Local vernacular conservation issues are also commonly dealt with such as earth structures (3) and thatching (8).

The information in the HELM guidance library although covering only a limited sample provides a good initial overview of the subject matter of technical guidance in frequent production. The actual guidance documents would need to be obtained and studied in order to assess its technical validity and competence.

5. Web Interrogation - PILOT STUDY

The simple approach to establishing the level of technical guidance produced could be to study the web sites of local authorities and look for guidance which is posted there.

In order to test this approach an initial 10% sample survey of local authority web sites in England was carried out. This included authorities in alphabetical order from Adur to Broxbourne. 40 web sites were integrated in depth taking care to find any sort of technical guidance. In the main general guidance on Listed Building legislation which might include some broad principles of conservation was discounted.

Of the 40 authorities studied none had specific technical advice displayed on their web site. Only two had any sort of technical guidance posted on the web site. Brighton and Hove has a leaflet on internal works to Listed Buildings which includes some guidance on fire protection (http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/downloads/bhcc/localplan2001/11_SPGBH_Listed_Building_Interiors.pdf) and Broadland has guidelines for good practice in grant aided work which includes some technical advice (The HELM guidance library includes a number of technical guides from Broadland which are not mentioned on the web site). (http://www.broadland.gov.uk/good_practice_notes-grant-aided_work_to_historic_buildings.pdf)

If this pattern were extrapolated out into all local authorities we would expect to find around 20 authorities produced something with a technical nature. This does not correlate especially closely with number of authorities producing technical guidance and providing details of it to HELM which was around 45.

This does not, of course prove the authorities do not have such guidance but it does demonstrate that few place them on their web site. This concurs with the results of the Oxford Brookes survey which concluded in 2005 that "At present very few authorities publish their guidance documents on the web, although the survey reveals that many propose to do so."

Thus it is likely that any further comprehensive web site survey would be likely to deliver only a few further results.

6. GENERAL INTERNET TRAWLING

A series of Google searches were carried out using various combinations of keywords such as 'technical', '.gov.uk', 'historic building', 'guidance', 'leaflet', 'conservation', 'materials' etc.

During this trawl it also became clear that most of the authorities whose technical guidance showed up had already provided it to HELM. For example South Somerset District Council has an

extensive library of technical guidance on its web site including Care and repair of Stonework: Parts 1 and 2. Masonry Bees, Rainwater, Goods Part 1: Clean out your gutters and check your drains, Rainwater Goods Part 2: Care and Repair, Thatch in Somerset, Timber Windows: Improvements and Upgrades and Timber Windows: Maintenance and Repair.

7. Considering IHBC MEMBERS REQUESTS FOR TECHNICAL GUIDANCE

The possibility should also be considered of simply asking the members of IHBC especially those in local authorities what specialist technical guidance they feel would be necessary.

There are a variety of relatively simple ways this could be done:

- Web site discussion
- Item in Context
- Mailing to all members
- Contact most members through email cascade through the branches.

Although such an approach is not likely to generate large numbers of responses it will generate those from members who really do feel a burning desire to see certain guidance.

To some extent the IHBC has already undertaken some of this work. In October 2006 IHBC with English Heritage undertook a telephone survey of all 363 local planning authorities in England to quantify conservation staffing in local planning authorities (English Heritage Project Number 5154, IHBC Project reference CP06/06). As part of the survey the IHBC Project Officer took the opportunity to ask a number of the respondents who were members of IHBC what their priorities were for research training and guidance from the IHBC.

Many of the responses suggested members wanted to see technical guidance on particular subjects:

- 'Thatch including a survey of the changing patterns in thatch.'
- 'Information about accredited specialists.'
- 'Sustainability especially in regards to the re-use of historic farm buildings.'
- 'Solar panels and sustainable energy'
- 'Technical guidance on damp proof courses.'

A number of members asked for general technical guidance which they could adapt for their own uses:

- 'Copyright free advice notes to adapt such as current example pd rights for micro wind generation such as products, conservation issues, when to approve etc.'
- 'Practical guidance most useful.'
- 'Guidance on specific issues which authorities can use.'

Many members wanted guidance to be at a high technical level for them to use in their work rather than for the general guidance of the public

- 'Quite specialised and technical advice should assume a level of proficiency in the audience.'
- 'English Heritage has backtracked on their firm technical guidance i.e. Framing Opinions had good technical back up. It used to provide 2 sets of leaflets - one more technical. The issue around windows is constantly changing. EH focus is now high conservation and not applicable to most buildings. Lots of policy documents but not real guidance.'
- 'Any guidance document which is expressed to suit the needs of conservation officers'

Other general technical requests included:

- Web site which says how good products are in use legal problems.
- 'Updates on approaches to practical problems –i.e. what is appropriate for use, current thinking, analysis of approach'
- 'Best practice of working alongside building control tips for creative thinking'

This strong support for technical guidance could be used to develop a programme of short new web based guidance documents.

In order to ensure all member's views are reflected it will be appropriate to canvas opinion from members in countries other than England before embarking on production of guidance.

8. GUIDANCE PRODUCED BY OTHER BODIES BUT AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY USE

Many local authorities chose not to produce technical guidance leaflets of their own but instead refer historic building owners to authoritative guides by national conservation bodies. Those most commonly used include:

- 1. Institute of Historic Building Conservation
 - a. French Drains by Ian Hume
 - b. Repair of Earth walled buildings by Robert Nother
 - c. A stitch in time (with SPAB)
- 2. Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings
 - a. Repointing Stone & Brick Walling
 - b. The Control of Damp in Old Buildings
 - c. The Care and Repair of Thatched Roofs
 - d. Panel Infillings to Timber-Framed Buildings
 - e. The Repair of Timber Frames and Roofs

- f. Timber Bellframes
- g. Care and Repair of Old Floors
- h. Care and Repair of Flint Walls
- i. Historic Building Controls and Grants

3. Victorian Society

- a. Doors A brief guide to the restoration and maintenance of Victorian and Edwardian doors
- b. Decorative Tiles A brief guide to the restoration and maintenance of Victorian and Edwardian tiles
- c. Fireplaces A brief guide to the restoration and maintenance of Victorian and Edwardian fireplaces
- d. Interior Mouldings A brief guide to timber and plaster mouldings in Victorian and Edwardian interiors
- e. Wallcoverings A brief guide to Victorian and Edwardian wallcoverings
- f. Cast Iron A brief guide to decorative ironwork in Victorian and Edwardian houses
- g. Brickwork A brief guide to Victorian and Edwardian brickwork
- h. Paintwork A brief guide to paint colour and finishes in Victorian and Edwardian houses
- i. Timber Windows A brief guide to the care and repair of windows in Victorian and Edwardian houses

4. Georgian Group

- a. Windows
- b. Brickwork
- c. Paint
- d. Wallpaper
- e. Mouldings
- f. Metal and Ironwork
- a. Roofs
- h. Floors
- i. Stonework
- i. Curtains and blinds

It is also possible to buy off the peg technical guidance for customization. For example Cathedral Communications produce a number of guidance leaflets which can be purchased and customized by local authorities. Those of a technical nature include:

1. Pointing with Lime Mortars by Jane Schofield. 8 pages, 5 illustrations. This guide provides a practical introduction to the use of lime, explaining why it is essential to historic and

- traditional buildings and how it should be used for pointing masonry.'
- 2. Conservation and Renewal of Timber Windows by David Wrightson. 12 pages, 15 illustrations.

7. OPTIONS APPRAISAL FOR FURTHER SURVEY

i. Full web interrogation

Assessment of potential

 From the pilot survey results it is likely that any further comprehensive web site survey would be unlikely to deliver substantial results.

Resources

 Further web interrogation will take around six days. Following collection of details each authority will need to be contacted to acquire copies of their guidance. This will take around 2 days further.

Recommendations

 From the pilot survey results it is likely that any further comprehensive web site survey would be unlikely to deliver substantial results and it is not recommended that this is pursued.

ii. Contact each authority individually and ask them to send copies of guidance

Assessment of potential

It is likely that the return rate would be only around that received by HELM (31%). An increase in this return rate would require considerable chasing of responses. It is possible this may not add to the body of information already available. This option is unlikely to produce a result which reflects the resource input unless external funding is available. If this option is to be pursued external funding needs to be obtained.

Resources

 Survey and collection is likely to take around ten days and postage costs.

Recommendations

- Consider possibility of seeking funding from outside bodies such as English Heritage
- Do not pursue with IHBC funds alone

iii. Use existing knowledge obtained during this study as a substantial sample

Assessment of potential

- The existing sample carried out for this report has given a broad understanding of the type of technical guidance available.
- In order to extend this research it may be appropriate to collect each of the already available documents from the authority.

Resources

- This survey is already complete for use of base data
- The collection of each document already known about for assessment will take a further two days

Recommendations

- This option having, to a greater extent, already been carried out, will provide some base line information which can be considered immediately. Use existing information combined with other available information (technical aspects of HELM guidance library, views of IHBC members etc) to develop a programme of guidance production
- iv. Collect views of IHBC members in local authorities about their requirements for guidance.

Assessment of potential

This approach will target actual need rather than simply assess how what resources local authorities have put into production of guidance. It will target perceived need rather than existing inclination.

Resources

 Much of this information is already known. The views of members in Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales could be relatively simply collected using the branch networks. Additional resources for this will be limited and will take little more than half a day.

Recommendations

 Information is already available which can be considered immediately. Use existing information combined with other available information (technical aspects of HELM guidance library etc) to develop a programme of guidance production

APPENDIX 1

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE RETRIEVED FROM HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT GUIDANCE LIBRARY AND SORTED INTO CATEGORY

1. BRICK REPAIR

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE GUIDE 1: BRICK & MORTAR

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building & Maintenance Guide 1: Brick & Mortar

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the repair of brickwork and mortar including repointing

CONSERVATION ADVICE NO. 6 - BRICKWORK

Organisation: Mid Suffolk District Council Website: http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1999

Title: Conservation Advice No. 6 - Brickwork

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides information on traditional brick bonds, dealing with problems and

repointing and mortar mixes.

GUIDE TO BRICKS AND BONDS

Organisation: Melton Borough Council

Website: http://www.melton.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Guide to Bricks and Bonds

Topic:

Description: Conservation Advice Leaflet No. 9 - provides advice and guidance

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: BRICKWORK

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Brickwork

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an introduction brickwork including information on various types and

the damage that occurs

2. CHIMNEYS

THE REMOVAL OR ALTERATION OF CHIMNEY STACKS

Organisation: London Borough of Barnet Council

Website: http://www.barnet.gov.uk/

Date of Publication: 1993

Title: The Removal or Alteration of Chimney Stacks

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Design Guidance Note 4 - provides the principles of good design and the effects

of listed building consent and conservation areas

TRADITIONAL CHIMNEYS

Organisation: Tewkesbury Borough Council **Website:** http://www.tewkesburybc.gov.uk/

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004 **Title:** Traditional Chimneys

Topic: Design Guide

Description: Web-based guide to typical vernacular examples

3. CLEANING

FACADE CLEANING

Organisation: City of Westminster

Website: http://www.westminster.gov.uk/

Region: London

Date of Publication: Feb 1995

Title: Facade Cleaning

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide the removal of soiling and paint from brick and stone facades.

4. CRAFTSMEN

REGISTER OF CRAFTSMEN

Organisation: Northamptonshire County Council **Website:** http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Register of Craftsmen

Topic: Craftsmen

Description: A list of craftsmen within the Northamptonshire area such as Blacksmiths, Stone

Masons & Building Conservation.

REGISTER OF THATCHES

Organisation: East Northamptonshire Council

Website: http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication:

Title: Register of Thatches

Topic: Thatches

Description: A guide to registered thatches within East Northamptonshire

5. DAMP

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: DAMP, ROT AND INSECT ATTACK

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Damp, Rot and Insect Attack

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides information on the types of damage caused and possible solutions,

6. EARTH BUILDINGS

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: CHALK AND CLAY COB

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Chalk and Clay Cob

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an introduction chalk and clay cob including its history, problems and

repair

THE CARE & REPAIR OF EARTH STRUCTURES

Organisation: Test Valley Borough Council

Website: http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1995

Title: The Care & Repair of Earth Structures

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advice on the care and repair of chalk cob - basic do's and don'ts.

WATTLE AND DAUB

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England
Date of Publication: 1999
Title: Wattle and Daub
Topic: Wattle and Daub

Description: Advice on the maintenance, repair and conservation of wattle and daub panels in

traditional houses and service buildings.

7. FLOORS

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: FLOORS

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Historic Buildings: Floors

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an information on the various types, problems and methods of repair.

8. GLASS

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 5: GLASS AND GLAZING

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 5: Glass and Glazing

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the different types of historic glass

GLASS IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Broadland District Council **Website:** http://www.broadland.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1996

Title: Glass in Historic Buildings **Topic:** Conservation and Repair

Description: A guide to the conservation and repair of glass in historic buildings

9. JOINERY

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 11: HISTORIC DOORS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 11: Historic Doors

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the maintenance and repair of historic doors and should be read in

conjunction with guides 16 & 17.

10.METALWORK

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 16: IRONWORK GATES AND RAILINGS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 16: Ironwork Gates and Railings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the repair of gates and railings

RAILINGS IN WESTMINSTER

Organisation: City of Westminster

Website: http://www.westminster.gov.uk/

Region: London

Date of Publication: Sept 1997 **Title:** Railings in Westminster

Topic: Design Guide

Description: A guide to the design repair and maintenance of railings within Westminster.

11.PLASTER & RENDER

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 19: LATH AND PLASTER

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 19: Lath and Plaster

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to lath and plaster including advice on the retention and repair.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: PLASTER AND RENDER

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Historic Buildings: Plaster and Render

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an information on the various types, problems and methods of repair.

MORTARS, PLASTERS AND RENDERS

Organisation: Surrey County Council Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Mortars, Plasters and Renders

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 7: An introduction to the different types of mortars, plasters and

renders suitable for historic buildings.

PLASTERING AND LIMEWASH

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1999

Title: Plastering and Limewash

Topic: Plastering and Limewash

Description: Advice on the maintenance, repair and conservation of plastered and limewashed

surfaces on traditional houses and service buildings

TRADITIONAL BUILDING MATERIALS IN ESSEX: NO.1 PARGETTING

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1982

Title: Traditional Building Materials in Essex: No.1 Pargetting

Topic: Pargetting

Description: An account of the history and art of pargetting, and advice on repair

A GUIDE TO CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF STUCCO

Organisation: City of Westminster

Website: http://www.westminster.gov.uk/

Region: London

Date of Publication: March 1994

Title: A Guide to Care and Maintenance of Stucco

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides information for the care and maintenance of Stucco buildings within the area including information on planning consents, suitable materials and methods for repair.

12.LIME

CONSERVATION ADVICE NO. 2 - LIMEWASH

Organisation: Mid Suffolk District Council

Website: http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: Conservation Advice No. 2 - Limewash

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides information on limewash including how to make it, its colour and

application.

CONSERVATION ADVICE NO. 4 - PLASTERS AND RENDERS

Organisation: Mid Suffolk District Council Website: http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1999

Title: Conservation Advice No. 4 - Plasters and Renders

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides advice on the rendering and plastering of historic buildings including

information on traditional details and materials.

GREEN BUILD: INFORMATION SHEET 1 - BUILDING WITH LIME

Organisation: North Norfolk District Council **Website:** http://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: Undated

Title: Green Build: Information Sheet 1 - Building with lime

Topic: Materials: Lime

Description: A brief introduction to building limes, their uses, the types of lime commonly

available, and where they may be obtained

GUIDE TO LIME

Organisation: South Somerset District Council **Website:** http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/

Region: South West Date of Publication: Title: Guide to Lime

Topic: Materials: Lime

Description: General guide to lime

13.Materials general

CHOOSING BUILDING MATERIALS

Organisation: Peterborough City Council Website: http://www.peterborough.gov.uk/

Date of Publication: 1988

Title: Choosing Building Materials

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Explains why the choice of building materials is important and provides an idea of

which bricks and tiles are most suitable for new & old buildings

MATERIALS IN WAVERLEY

Organisation: Waverley Borough Council

Website: http://www.waverley.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Materials in Waverley **Topic:** Building Materials

Description: Guidance on locally sourced building materials and their uses.

MATERIALS SOURCE LIST

Organisation: Broads Authority

Website: http://www.broads-authority.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 2003-04 **Title:** Materials Source List **Topic:** Building Materials

Description: A guide to appropriate materials in the Broads and how to source them

RECLAIMED BUILDING MATERIALS

Organisation: Broadland District Council **Website:** http://www.broadland.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: Reclaimed Building Materials

Topic: Building Materials

Description: A list of reclaimed building materials companies within the Broadland District

Council area.

TRADITIONAL BUILDING MATERIALS

Organisation: Salisbury District Council **Website:** http://www.salisbury.gov.uk/

Region: South West Date of Publication:

Title: Traditional Building Materials

Topic: Building Materials

Description: Contains information on brick, stone, flint, cob, thatch etc.

14.REPAIR GENERAL

CONSERVATION GUIDE 2: THE CONSERVATION OF LISTED BUILDINGS AND OTHER OLDER BUILDINGS - INFORMATION FOR OWNERS

Organisation: Gosport Borough Council

Website: http://www.gosport.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Conservation Guide 2: the Conservation of Listed Buildings and other Older Buildings -

Information for Owners **Topic:** Listed Buildings

Description: Notes on the detailed elements of conserving historic buildings, including chimneys, structural defects, roofs and gutters, doors, brick and brickwork, windows, render,

stone and insurance.

CONSERVATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: South Somerset District Council **Website:** http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 1994

Title: Conservation of historic buildings

Topic: Listed Buildings

Description: Covers general issues including planning policy, wildlife, archaeology, materials,

extensions, surrounding walls, access.

LISTED BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE

Organisation: Spelthorne Borough Council

Website: http://www.spelthorne.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Listed Buildings Maintenance

Topic: Listed Buildings

Description: 8 leaflets providing technical advise on a range of materials used in listed

buildings, e.g. timer framed specifically on repair and maintenance.

LISTED BUILDINGS MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Organisation: Salisbury District Council **Website:** http://www.salisbury.gov.uk/

Region: South West **Date of Publication:**

Title: Listed Buildings Maintenance and Repair

Topic: Listed Buildings

Description: Contains information on the need for repair, structural repairs, masonry and brick

repair, roof repair and chimneys.

REPAIRING HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Broadland District Council Website: http://www.broadland.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: Repairing Historic Buildings **Topic:** Repairing Historic Buildings

Description: A guide to repairing historic buildings and the materials to use.

REPAIRS TO OLD BUILDINGS

Organisation: Bassetlaw District Council Website: http://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repairs to Old Buildings

Topic: Repairs

Description: General advice to home owners and occupiers on repairing buildings

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 14: FRONT ENTRANCE STEPS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 14: Front Entrance Steps

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the repair and waterproofing of front entrance steps

15. REPOINTING GENERAL

GUIDE TO REPOINTING STONE AND BRICKWORK

Organisation: Nottinghamshire County Council **Website:** http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication: 1990s

Title: A Guide to Repointing Stone and Brickwork

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A guide to repointing masonry including good practice, technique and mortar

materials and mixes.

GUIDE TO POINTING STONE AND BRICKWORK

Organisation: Melton Borough Council

Website: http://www.melton.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Guide to Pointing Stone and Brickwork

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Conservation Advice Leaflet No. 4 - provides advice and guidance

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: POINTING

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Pointing

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides information various types of pointing and the methods of repair

POINTING WITH LIME MORTAR

Organisation: Wyre Forest District Council Website: http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/

Region: West Midlands

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Pointing with Lime Mortar

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Information on lime and its uses within construction

POINTING WITH LIME MORTARS

Organisation: Redditch Borough Council

Website: http://redditch.whub.org.uk/home/rbcindex.htm

Region: West Midlands

Date of Publication: 2000

Title: Pointing with Lime Mortars **Topic:** Building Maintenance

Description: Guidance on pointing using lime mortars

POINTING WITH LIME MORTARS

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 2000

Title: Pointing with Lime Mortars

Topic: Pointing

Description: Practical guidance on the use of lime and pointing practice

POINTING WITH LIME MORTARS

Organisation: East Dorset District Council

Website: http://www.eastdorset.gov.uk

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Pointing With Lime Mortars

Topic: Pointing

Description: A guide to the general principles of pointing with practical guidance in the use of

lime mortar & brickwork

Organisation: Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

Website: http://www.staffsmoorlands.gov.uk/site/index.php

Region: West Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Pointing Your Jointing **Topic:** Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the materials and methods

REPOINTING

Organisation: Durham County Council Website: http://www.durham.gov.uk

Region: North East
Date of Publication:
Title: Repointing
Topic: Repointing

Description: Provides guidance on the repointing of external walls in older buildings including

where and when to repoint and the mortar mixes to use.

REPOINTING

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Repointing **Topic:** Repointing

Description: Advice on the maintenance, repair and conservation of old brickwork in traditional

houses and service buildings

RE-POINTING

Organisation: Northamptonshire County Council **Website:** http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication:

Title: Re-Pointing

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: An information sheet about re-pointing brickwork and stonework

REPOINTING BRICK AND STONEWORK

Organisation: Preston City Council

Website: http://www.preston.gov.uk/

Region: North West

Date of Publication: 1994

Title: Repointing Brick and Stonework

Topic: Building maintenance

Description: Advice on appropriate pointing of brick and stone in historic buildings - a very

simple guide.

REPOINTING BRICK AND STONEWORK

Organisation: Surrey County Council Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repointing Brick and Stonework

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 3: An introduction to repointing including suitable materials and

procedures

REPOINTING BRICK AND STONEWORK

Organisation: Epsom and Ewell Borough Council

Website: http://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repointing Brick and Stonework

Topic: Repointing

Description: A guide to repointing including advice on the typical weathering and repair of lime

mortar joints and repointing procedures.

REPOINTING OF STONE AND BRICKWORK

Organisation: Derbyshire County Council **Website:** http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repointing of Stone and Brickwork

Topic: Building Repairs

Description: Advice on materials and techniques for stone and brickwork repointing

REPOINTING YOUR BUILDING

Organisation: Derbyshire County Council

Website: http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repointing Your Building

Topic: Conservation

Description: Advice on material and techniques for stonework repointing.

THE REPOINTING OF BRICK & STONE

Organisation: Liverpool City Council **Website:** http://www.liverpool.gov.uk

Region: North West

Date of Publication: 1996

Title: The Repointing of Brick & Stone

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A 'how to leaflet' that outlines principles and techniques and recommended spec.

16.Roof MATERIALS

COTSWOLD STONE SLATE ROOFING

Organisation: Tewkesbury Borough Council **Website:** http://www.tewkesburybc.gov.uk/

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Cotswold Stone Slate Roofing

Topic: Technical guidance

Description: Guide to use and sourcing of stone slate, and traditional roofing techniques

DERBYSHIRE STONE SLATE ROOFS

Organisation: Derbyshire County Council Website: http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication: 1996

Title: Derbyshire Stone Slate Roofs

Topic: Technical Advice

Description: Technical advice and model specification for Derbyshire stone slate roofs

SPECIFICATION NOTES FOR BLUE SLATE ROOFING

Organisation: Peak District National Park Authority

Website: http://www.peakdistrict.org/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: Jun 2003

Title: Specification Notes for Blue Slate Roofing

Topic: Building Materials

Description: Guidance on conserving historic buildings with blue slate roofing.

SPECIFICATION NOTES FOR STAFFORDSHIRE BLUE TILE ROOFING

Organisation: Peak District National Park Authority

Website: http://www.peakdistrict.org/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: Mar 2000

Title: Specification Notes for Staffordshire Blue Tile Roofing

Topic: Building Materials

Description: Guidance on conserving historic buildings using Staffordshire Blue Tile roofing

SPECIFICATION NOTES FOR STONE SLATE ROOFING

Organisation: Peak District National Park Authority

Website: http://www.peakdistrict.org/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: Oct 1999

Title: Specification Notes for Stone Slate Roofing

Topic: Building Materials

Description: Information & guidance on conserving historic buildings with stone slate roofs

17.Roof REPAIR

CONSERVATION ADVICE NO. 5 - ROOF COVERINGS

Organisation: Mid Suffolk District Council Website: http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: Conservation Advice No. 5 - Roof Coverings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides advice on thatch, pantile and plain tiles and the best way to repair them

on historic buildings

ROOF REPAIRS IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Surrey County Council

Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Roof Repairs in Historic Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 5: An introduction to repairing roofs of historic buildings including

information on how to identify roof types.

ROOF REPAIRS TO HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Epsom and Ewell Borough Council

Website: http://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Roof Repairs to Historic Buildings

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A guide to roof repair in historic buildings including how to identify your roof type,

when to repair and how.

ROOFS - A CONSERVATION GUIDE

Organisation: North Tyneside Council Website: http://www.northtyneside.gov.uk

Region: North East

Date of Publication: 2001

Title: Roofs - A Conservation Guide

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advice on general maintenance and repair of traditional roofs and on the design

of extensions or new work in sensitive settings

ROOFS ON HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Portsmouth City Council **Website:** http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/

Region: South East

Date of Publication: Sept 1998 **Title:** Roofs on Historic Buildings **Topic:** Building Maintenance

Description: A general guide to the appropriate works and materials to use on the roofs of

historic buildings

Organisation: Melton Borough Council

Website: http://www.melton.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication:

Title: Guide to Roofs

Topic:

Description: Conservation Advice Leaflet No. 5 - provides advice and guidance

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 6: ROOF REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 6: Roof Repair and Maintenance

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to traditional domestic roof repairs.

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: TILE AND SLATE ROOFING

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Tile and Slate Roofing

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an information on the history, problems and methods of repair

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: TIMBER FRAMES AND ROOFS

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Timber Frames and Roofs

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an introduction timber frames and roofs including information on

various types, the damage that occurs and how to repair it.

18. Sustainable building

GREEN BUILDING MATERIALS

Organisation: Peak District National Park Authority

Website: http://www.peakdistrict.org/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: 1999 **Title:** Green Building Materials

Topic: Building Materials

Description: Sustainability issues when specifying building materials

SOLAR POWER IN BUILDINGS

Organisation: Melton Borough Council Website: http://www.melton.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication:

Title: Solar Power in Buildings

Topic: Solar Power

Description: Conservation Advice Leaflet No. 10 - provides advice and guidance

19.STONE

DESIGN GUIDE FOR STONEWORK REPAIRS

Organisation: Alnwick District Council Website: http://www.alnwick.gov.uk

Region: North East

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: Design guide for stonework repairs

Topic: Materials: Stone

Description: Aims to improve quality of stonework repairs and renovations. Repair, cleaning,

repointing, mortars, good and bad practice

REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF STONE BUILDINGS

Organisation: Epsom and Ewell Borough Council

Website: http://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repair and Maintenance of Stone Buildings

Topic: Stone Buildings

Description: A guide to the sympathetic repair of stone buildings and includes advice on how to maintain the building to prevent future problems.

REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE OF STONE BUILDINGS

Organisation: Surrey County Council Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Repairs and Maintenance of Stone Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 9: An introduction to the appropriate methods of repairing stone

buildings.

SOURCES OF BUILDING STONE FOR USE IN DERBYSHIRE

Organisation: Derbyshire County Council Website: http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication: 1999

Title: Sources of Building Stone for use in Derbyshire

Topic: Building Materials

Description: A schedule of quarries in and around Derbyshire which can supply suitable stone

for building and landscaping.

20.STRUCTURAL

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 8: STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS IN OLD BUILDINGS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 8: Structural Alterations in Old Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide for altering old houses including the risks and the building regulations that

apply.

THE PROTECTION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: City of Westminster

Website: http://www.westminster.gov.uk/

Region: London

Date of Publication: March 2000

Title: The Protection of Historic Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to structural alterations including information on Council policies,

legislation and historic buildings at risk

21.Thatch

GUIDE TO THATCH

Organisation: South Somerset District Council

Website: http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/

Region: South West
Date of Publication:
Title: Guide to Thatch
Topic: Materials: Thatch

Description: General guide to thatch

HISTORIC BUILDINGS: THATCH AND THATCHING

Organisation: New Forest District Council

Website: http://www.nfdc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Historic Buildings: Thatch and Thatching

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A provides an introduction thatching including the different types and the

materials used.

RE-THATCHING

Organisation: Kennet District Council Website: http://www.kennet.gov.uk

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Re-thatching **Topic:** Thatching

Description: Provides guidance and policy for thatching.

SPG THATCHING IN BABERGH

Organisation: Babergh District Council Website: http://www.babergh.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1997

Title: SPG Thatching in Babergh

Topic: Roof Thatching

Description: The use of different types of thatch in the district

THATCH IN DEVON

Organisation: Devon County Council Website: http://www.devon.gov.uk

Region: South West

Date of Publication: March 2003

Title: Thatch in Devon **Topic:** Thatching Methods

Description: A guide to thatching methods including guidance on listed buildings, building

regulations and the laws that apply.

THATCH IN HAMPSHIRE: SUSTAINING A TRADITION

Organisation: Hampshire County Council

Website: http://www.hants.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Thatch in Hampshire: Sustaining a Tradition

Topic: Thatching

Description: Provides information on the history and characteristics of thatching, maintenance

and repair of thatched buildings and the future of thatching.

THATCHING

Organisation: Broadland District Council Website: http://www.broadland.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 1993

Title: Thatching **Topic:** Thatching

Description: A guide to the craft of thatching and the materials used.

THATCHING

Organisation: South Northamptonshire Council

Website: http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication: 1996

Title: Thatching

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Provides information on the Councils thatching policy, types of thatching and

building regulations as well as general information.

22.TIMBER

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 15: CONSERVING HISTORIC TIMBER IN BUILDINGS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 15: Conserving Historic Timber in Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: An introductory guide to the repair of historic timber

PRESERVATION & REPAIR OF TIMBER FRAMED BUILDINGS

Organisation: Epsom and Ewell

Website: http://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Preservation & Repair of Timber Framed Buildings

Topic: Timber Framed Buildings

Description: A guide to the repair of timber framed building including identifying failures and

the appropriate method of repairing them.

PRESERVATION AND REPAIR OF TIMBER FRAMED BUILDINGS

Organisation: Surrey County Council Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Preservation and Repair of Timber Framed Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 2: An introduction to the appropriate repair methods and

materials for timber framed buildings.

WEATHERBOARDING

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England
Date of Publication: 1998
Title: Weatherboarding
Topic: Weatherboarding

Description: Advice on the maintenance, repair and conservation of timber cladding on

traditional houses and service buildings.

23.WINDOWS

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE 4: SASH WINDOWS

Organisation: London Borough of Islington

Website: http://www.islington.gov.uk

Region: London

Date of Publication:

Title: Building and Maintenance Guide 4: Sash Windows

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: A guide to the repair of sash windows.

BUILDING REGULATIONS AND WINDOWS

Organisation: Peak District National Park Authority

Website: http://www.peakdistrict.org/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: 2002

Title: Building Regulations and Windows

Topic: Building Regulations

Description: How Part L affects historic buildings. Considers how to improve the thermal

efficiency of traditional windows without compromising their appearance.

CONSERVATION AND RENEWAL OF TIMBER WINDOWS

Organisation: Wyre Forest District Council Website: http://www.wyreforestdc.gov.uk/

Region: West Midlands

Date of Publication: 1998

Title: Conservation and Renewal of Timber Windows

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Information on timber windows

CONSERVING YOUR HISTORIC BUILDING: BUILDING REGULATIONS AND WINDOWS

Organisation: Gateshead Council

Website: http://www.gateshead.gov.uk

Region: North East

Date of Publication: 2003

Title: Conserving your Historic Building: building Regulations and Windows

Topic: Building Conservation

Description: Provides basic advice encouraging the repair of historic windows. Also looks at

the relationship between Part L of the Buildings Regulations and historic buildings.

GUIDANCE NOTE: REPLACEMENT WINDOWS & DOORS

Organisation: Eden District Council Website: http://www.eden.gov.uk

Region: North West

Date of Publication: March 2004

Title: Guidance Note: Replacement Windows & Doors

Topic: Building Regulations

Description: A guide to the building regulations, planning and listed building consent regime

for replacement windows and doors including some basic design guidance

GUIDE TO WINDOWS

Organisation: Melton Borough Council

Website: http://www.melton.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication:

Title: Guide to Windows

Topic: Windows

Description: Conservation Advice Leaflet No. 3 - provides advice and guidance.

REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF HISTORIC WINDOWS AND DOORS

Organisation: Preston City Council Website: http://www.preston.gov.uk/

Region: North West

Date of Publication: 2003

Title: Repair and Replacement of Historic Windows and Doors

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Design guidance on the repair and replacement of traditional windows and doors.

SASH WINDOWS: A DESIGN GUIDE

Organisation: Scarborough Borough Council

Website: http://www.scarborough.gov.uk/

Region: Yorkshire

Date of Publication: Oct 2002

Title: Sash Windows: A design guide

Topic: Doors and windows

Description: Guidance on approaches to repair or replacement of original sash windows.

THE CONSERVATION AND RENEWAL OF TIMBER WINDOWS

Organisation: Essex County Council Website: http://www.essexcc.gov.uk

Region: East of England

Date of Publication: 2000

Title: The Conservation and Renewal of Timber Windows

Topic: Timber Windows

Description: A guide to the history of windows, the issues surrounding their repair and

replacement, and the methods of repair and thermal improvement

THE CONSERVATION AND RENEWAL OF TIMBER WINDOWS

Organisation: Redditch Borough Council

Website: http://redditch.whub.org.uk/home/rbcindex.htm

Region: West Midlands

Date of Publication: 2000

Title: The Conservation and Renewal of Timber Windows

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Guidance on the repair of timber windows

TIMBER WINDOWS: CONSERVATION AND REPAIR

Organisation: East Dorset District Council

Website: http://www.dorsetforyou.com

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Timber Windows: Conservation and Repair

Topic: Timber Windows

Description: A guide to the historical development of timber windows, the planning control,

maintenance & repair and thermal improvements

TRADITIONAL CASEMENT WINDOWS

Organisation: Tewkesbury Borough Council **Website:** http://www.tewkesburybc.gov.uk/

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Traditional Casement Windows

Topic: Design Guide

Description: Web-based guide to typical vernacular examples

TRADITIONAL DORMER WINDOWS

Organisation: Tewkesbury Borough Council **Website:** http://www.tewkesburybc.gov.uk/

Region: South West

Date of Publication: 2004

Title: Traditional Dormer Windows

Topic: Design Guide

Description: Web-based guide to typical vernacular examples

TRADITIONAL SASH WINDOWS

Organisation: Nottinghamshire County Council **Website:** http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk

Region: East Midlands

Date of Publication: 1990s

Title: Traditional Sash Windows

Topic: Sash windows

Description: A comprehensive guide to traditional sash windows including the history,

maintenance and repair.

WINDOWS

Organisation: Durham County Council

Website: http://www.durham.gov.uk

Region: North East

Date of Publication:

Title: Windows **Topic:** Windows

Description: A comprehensive guide to windows including a history, glossary of terms, window types and advice on the repair, maintenance, draughtproofing and replacement of windows.

WINDOWS & DOORS GUIDANCE NOTES FOR TRADITIONAL PROPERTIES

Organisation: South Lakeland District Council

Website: http://www.southlakeland.gov.uk/

Region: North West **Date of Publication:**

Title: Windows & Doors Guidance Notes for Traditional Properties

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Brief guidance on repairs and alterations of windows and doors in traditional

properties in South Lakeland

WINDOWS AND DOORS IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Cherwell District Council Website: http://www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk

Region: South East

Date of Publication: 1993

Title: Windows and Doors in Historic Buildings

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A guide to the maintenance and repair of windows and doors in historic buildings

WINDOWS IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Epsom and Ewell Borough Council

Website: http://www.epsom-ewell.gov.uk

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Windows in Historic Buildings

Topic: Historic Buildings

Description: A guide to the repair and replacement of windows in historic buildings.

WINDOWS IN HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Organisation: Surrey County Council Website: http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/

Region: South East **Date of Publication:**

Title: Windows in Historic Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Advisory Leaflet 4: An introduction to repairing and replacing windows in historic

buildings

Organisation: Portsmouth City Council **Website:** http://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/

Region: South East

Date of Publication: July 2000 **Title:** Windows in Historic Buildings

Topic: Building Maintenance

Description: Introduction to the maintenance, repair or replacement of windows in historic

buildings