



Welcome to the Conservation, Adaptation and Maintenance of the Built Environment

On behalf of the Chartered Institute of Building, and English Heritage, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to this year's conference in this superb venue. Located on the grounds of the breathtaking Westminster abbey, a World Heritage Site with over a thousand years of history.

Today is our sixth annual conference on the conservation, adaption and restoration of our built environment. Encouragingly this is a sell-out event each year, so we know this topic matters to you as much as it does us.

25% of the UK building stock is pre-1919, so most construction professionals will work on historic buildings during their career. Today we will explore quality and standards in the heritage sector.

We like to make our conferences as interactive as possible, so there will be a wide range of presentations including on-going projects such as Battersea Power Station and Darlington's own Hippodrome Theatre.

The conference agenda has, in part, been shaped by the CIOB Conservation Special Interest Group and our thanks go to all our speakers for giving up their time to share expertise with you.

We would also like to thank our sponsors for helping make today possible.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for taking the time out of your busy schedules to attend our event. Advancing the science and practice of building and construction is at the core of CIOB activity so I trust you will be rewarded with a highly enjoyable and educational day.

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