



# Planning • Heritage

## Specialist & Independent Advisors to the Property Industry

### Historic Buildings

CgMs' Historic Buildings team provides commercially-aware heritage planning and design advice to public and private sector clients across the UK.

With a market-leading reputation for delivering high-profile listed building conversions, major developments within the historic environment and for shaping local authority guidance, CgMs' dedicated team of IHBC-qualified heritage planners and former English Heritage and LPA Conservation Officers provides clients with practical, expert heritage advocacy and excellent stakeholder contacts.

Our clients include national commercial and residential developers, major hotel and leisure chains, education and charitable institutions, infrastructure and public service bodies, sustainable energy providers, private property owners, local authorities and heritage amenity societies.



### Key Team Members

#### Edward Kitchen, Director

Lead for the Historic Buildings team, Edward studied history at the University of Cambridge and architectural history at the Courtauld Institute of Art, before working in local government and for English Heritage, latterly as London Region's Senior Adviser for the City of Westminster and West London. His recent project experience includes the Crown Estate's £750 million investment in Regent Street Vision, King's College London's expansion into Somerset House, and with CgMs, a range of major development projects for Network Rail, the Metropolitan Police and the UK Border Agency. Edward appears regularly as an expert witness at section 78 public inquiries and hearings. He is also an Associate Fellow of the Institute of Historical Research and a member of the Historic Churches Committee for the Diocese of Westminster.

#### Jennie Humphrey, Senior Historic Building Consultant

Former Conservation Officer for the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea and other London Councils, Jennie has extensive knowledge of architectural analysis, area character appraisal and heritage policy, with a particular expertise in advising clients and architects on the practical interpretation of heritage design guidance.

#### Laurie Handcock Historic Building Consultant

Having studied History at the University of Cambridge, Laurie has recently graduated from the Masters course in Historic Conservation at Oxford Brooke University. Before joining CgMs in 2011 he has been involved in projects with local authorities, the charitable sector, and the Trent Vale Landscape Partnership scheme

#### Simon Roper-Pressdee, Senior Associate Director

With over 20 years of experience working in the historic environment, both in private and public sector, latterly as the Principal Conservation Officer for Wyre Forest District Council, Simon's experience ranges from providing high quality design and conservation advice on major schemes impacting upon the historic environment including the development of Weavers Wharf in Kidderminster and the multiple award-winning Stourport Basins regeneration project with British Waterways, through to the undertaking of a variety of heritage asset appraisals, and appearing as Expert Witness in historic building prosecutions at both Magistrates and Crown Court.

#### Jody O'Reilly, Senior Historic Building Consultant

Jody joined the historic building team at CgMs in 200. She has worked on many buildings of a wide variety of type and period including farms, hospitals and workhouses, industrial buildings, high end retail properties in the heart of London and private houses. She has worked on all of the recent recording and assessment jobs that CgMs has undertaken for the National Trust.

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