

Hutton + Rostron: Specialist Historic Building Surveyor

Competitive salary. H+R are seeking historic building professionals to join our team of multi-disciplined Specialist Historic Building Surveyors and work on some of the UK's most important buildings

H+R are specialist independent building surveyors and Building Pathologists employing qualified individuals from a range of disciplines as surveying staff, ensuring that the level of support is a valuable added benefit to the client. We investigate all manner of building defects and aim to identify the root cause of problems rather than to just treat the symptoms with product led solutions. Our investigative approach and remedial specifications can allow for the maximum amount of historic fabric to be saved. We are very pragmatic in our approach and are highly regarded by specialist contractors, heritage organisations and Conservation Officers. All of whom draw comfort from H+R involvement with a project both in conservation and risk management terms

H+R have long standing experience in providing specialist building material condition investigations in historic structures all over the country having initiated the service in 1980. Some of our most notable work was after the fire at Windsor Castle in 1992 and currently at Wentworth Woodhouse

We continue to innovate and pride ourselves on working at the 'sharp end' of the industry; providing value added support to the project team. H+R have developed minimally invasive and non-destructive surveying techniques especially suitable for historic buildings or those under occupation. We are always on the lookout for new technology and ideas to develop for the conservation of historic structures

H+R list many of the major heritage organisations, institutions, developers, contractors and commercial property managers as clients, as well as private owners and we enjoy an excellent reputation amongst fellow industry professionals such as Architects and Structural Engineers as well as Historic England and Historic Environment Scotland

H+R has long-standing experience of working on listed buildings and ancient monuments, including assessments of materials and forms of construction, defect diagnosis, heritage significance assessment, conservation management, planning, specification of appropriate remedial action and, where necessary, additional pre- and post-contract professional services

For further information about the work H+R undertakes, please visit our [website](#)

Job Location – You will be based at our Mottram office outside Manchester, but you will work all over the North of England, Scotland and occasionally further afield

Hours – Full time – 37.5 hours per week

Responsible to – Directors

The post will entail:

- Carrying out building investigations and analysis utilising a range of techniques and equipment. This is a physically active role and will include working at heights, utilising ladders and potentially scaffolding and inspecting in small, confined spaces
- Preparing evidence-based reports with the necessary background research and remedial recommendations, illustrated with photographs, sketch details and annotating CAD plans
- Providing high-quality, professional and timely advice to clients relating to building defects, material condition and building performance
- Attending meetings with clients, their design teams and consultants
- Following established company procedures and protocols and assisting in the development of new systems to ensure that the company's quality standards are maintained and enhanced
- Undertaking personal training and development, as discussed with the Management team
- Ensuring confidentiality at all times in all matters relating to any work or communication with the company and clients

In-house training is provided with the purpose of you swiftly becoming an asset to the company and to support you through the probation period

Other opportunities:

- Promoting the company through writing articles for journals, newspapers, the company website and other appropriate media under the guidance of the Directors
- Developing an individual specialism in relation to historic buildings or building surveying in discussion with the Directors
- Attending external training courses to expand your own knowledge base and to develop your individual skill set
- Developing and using new technologies to aid in surveys

To be successful in the role we are looking for the following:

- Have UK construction experience and proven knowledge of design and procurement
- Will have a keen interest in building science and environment science
- Have a professional, organised and thorough approach to work which demonstrates an attention to detail
- Have the ability to take initiative in identifying and undertaking work that needs to be carried out
- Possess an inquisitive approach to learning and work
- Have experience of hands on, practical learning
- Be comfortable working within a team or independently
- High standards of written and spoken English
- Ability to communicate with stakeholders at all levels

Preferably candidates will:

- Have a Bachelors or Master's Degree in a field relevant to the construction and built environment
- Have achieved to working towards Chartered Membership of the RIBA, RICS or other professional institutions
- Be working towards IHBC full membership
- Be familiar with AutoCAD
- Be intuitive with computers and social media

Applicants with a knowledge of Mycology, Entomology, wood science and environmental monitoring systems are welcome

To apply

Please send your application and CV to Amy Ringshall at Amy.Ringshall@socotec.co.uk. For further information, please click [here](#)