

Hutton + Rostron: Specialist Building Surveyor

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

H+R are specialist independent building surveyors and Building Pathologists employing professionally 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 original 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 and contemporary 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

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 investigation and conservation of historic and contemporary 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 Surrey office outside Guildford but you will work all over the UK 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 of Building Pathology utilising a range of techniques
- Preparing reports with the necessary background research, remedial specifications and CAD plans
- Assisting in the provision of high quality and timely advice to clients relating to building material condition and performance
- Attending meetings with clients and their consultants and assisting in giving appraisals of building material condition and building material performance
- 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 Directors
- 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:

- Professional, organised and thorough approach to work which demonstrates an attention to detail
- A pragmatic and hands-on approach to work which translates to enthusiasm on site
- Able to take initiative in identifying and undertaking work that needs to be carried out
- Comfortable working within a team or alone
- Full UK driving licence
- Flexible approach to working hours to meet the demands of the role, including occasionally working away from home
- The successful candidate will need to be physically robust, happy with dogs and confident in working at height from ladders and platforms in order to carry out the investigative techniques deployed on site

Preferably candidates will:

- Have a relevant degree or experience working with historic buildings
- 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 James Hutton at jh@handr.co.uk. For further information please click [here](#)