

## Programme



# Dealing with Damp in Old Buildings

## *Afternoon Seminar*

- 14.00**      **Registration**
- 14.15**      **Dealing with Damp in Old Buildings Part 1: Causes and Diagnosis**  
Douglas Kent, Technical and Research Director, the SPAB
- 15.15**      Tea/Coffee
- 15.30**      **Dealing with Damp in Old Buildings Part 2: Treatment and Prevention**  
Douglas Kent, Technical and Research Director, the SPAB
- 16.00**      **Questions and Discussion**
- 16.30**      **Close**

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### **Course description**

This half-day beginner / intermediate level seminar is designed to help both owners of old buildings and professionals working on old buildings to deal effectively with dampness issues.

It explains the causes of damp in old buildings, how to diagnose issues, how to successfully treat damp, and how to prevent it from occurring in the first place.

The course draws on understanding of how old buildings deal with moisture and of the properties of traditional building materials to present an evidence-based approach to dealing with damp.

### **About the SPAB**

**This course is provided by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB).**

Founded in 1877 by the designer, writer and campaigner William Morris and the architect Philip Webb to oppose the needless destruction or damaging alteration of old buildings, the SPAB is the country's longest-established buildings conservation organisation. A registered charity, it has around 6,500 members who enjoy a lively programme of events, access to a network of regional groups, and a full-colour quarterly magazine. The Society has a branch in Scotland and a section devoted to the repair and protection of historic water- and wind-mills.

Education, skills-sharing and enjoyment of historic buildings has always been at the heart of the SPAB and today it continues to offer training and technical expertise to building owners, users and professionals. It offers a varied annual programme of courses, seminars and hands-on masterclasses in traditional building crafts, and its annual working party is an unrivalled opportunity to learn and develop skills on-site under expert guidance. The SPAB's free technical helpline (weekday mornings on 020 7456 0916) answers thousands of queries every year on all aspects of repairing and caring for old buildings.

The SPAB continues to champion old buildings, campaigning on heritage issues and buildings at risk. It also plays a formal role in the planning system and must be notified of all applications to demolish listed buildings in England and Wales.

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