

## Redevelopment and restoration of The Buxton Crescent and Thermal Spa

The Library, Buxton Crescent Health Spa Hotel, The Crescent, Buxton, SK17 6BH 10AM, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

East Midlands Branch AGM followed by CPD event focusing on the most ambitious rescue of a historic building in the region of recent years.



Duncan Wilson, Chief Executive of Historic England, recently chose the Buxton Crescent and Thermal Spa project as his restoration scheme of the decade on account of the scale of ambition, quality of design and craftmanship and long-term sustainable development. Efforts to rescue the Crescent, a Grade I listed building at the heart of the Duke of Devonshire's spa town at Buxton, started a staggering 30 years ago. The early urgent works, funded by Historic England, were followed by a public-private partnership scheme to refurbish the Crescent along with an adjoining baths complex and Pump Room as a hotel and spa complex together with a visitor centre. The whole complex finally opened last year.

The visit to Buxton is a follow-up to an earlier meeting held here some years ago. It will include a presentation by Richard Tuffrey MBE setting out some of the background and issues that arose during the project's development and an outline of the work of the Buxton Crescent Heritage Trust. A tour of some of the Crescent's public rooms, including the Assembly Rooms and the Visitor Experience, will follow. The project is a partnership between councils, heritage trust and developers, with funders including the Heritage Lottery Fund and Historic England.

The event is taking place in **The Library** of the Hotel, programme for the day is as follows:

09:30 Branch Officers pre-meeting

10:00 Welcome and refreshments

10:30 Introductions

10:45 IHBC Branch AGM

12:00 Meeting End / Lunch

13:00 Tour

15:00 Closing Remarks/Questions

Attending the branch meeting and event will contribute towards CPD, formally recognised by the IHBC.

## **Branch Members**

We are pleased to advise the event and lunch will be <u>free</u> for East Midlands IHBC Branch Members. We can offer this through generous support from central IHBC in addition to our own Branch contribution.

However, if you do not attend on the day, without reasonable notice there is a cost of £20.

## Friends and Family

Friends and family (non-IHBC members) are welcome to join our lunch and tour for a cost of £20 which can be paid with cash on the day or via BACS, using your surname as a reference: -

Account Name: Institute of Historic Building Conservation – East

Midlands Branch.

Account No: 21573379 Sort code: 60-02-41

However, if you do not attend on the day without reasonable notice, we are unable to offer a refund.

BACS is the preferred method of payment, but we can still accept cheques on the day *payable to* Institute of Historic Building Conservation – East Midlands Branch.

## How to reserve your place

To book please use our <u>online booking form</u> before 10am, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022.

**Directions to The Buxton Crescent Health Spa Hotel, Buxton** 

The Hotel is on The Square and is about a 2-minute walk from Buxton train station details available at <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhearth/">The Buxton Crescent Hotel</a>. If coming by car, the postcode is SK17 6BH, with several <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhearth/">car parks</a>

nearby.



We look forward to seeing you then.

**IHBC East Midlands Branch Comittee** 

Further information may be found online:

https://buxtoncrescentexperience.com/

http://buxtoncrescenttrust.org/

https://www.visitbuxton.co.uk/the-crescent/

https://www.visitbuxton.co.uk/the-pump-room/

https://historicengland.org.uk/whats-new/in-your-area/midlands/revival-of-buxton-crescent/