

Heritage Capability

Bringing period buildings back to life through sensitive modernisation, without compromising original fabric or character, is fundamental to preserving our built heritage and its history. The successful delivery of heritage projects demands a considered and collaborative approach, with close liaison with national heritage bodies, conservation officers and specialist groups to ensure the significance and integrity of historic buildings is retained. This is supported by early and ongoing coordination with the project architect and mechanical and electrical design consultants, as well as archaeologists, to protect and enhance areas of historic importance.

A thorough understanding of a building's structure, historic use and setting, supported by archival research and records of previous repairs and alterations, is essential in informing appropriate methods for repair, restoration and adaptation. Many heritage assets are the result of multiple construction phases, with later alterations forming an important part of their story.

BSP Consulting places significant emphasis on detailed surveys and investigative work to fully understand the building's evolution and context, ensuring future interventions are both appropriate and sustainable. We have extensive experience delivering new-build and refurbishment projects, including works to Grade II listed buildings.

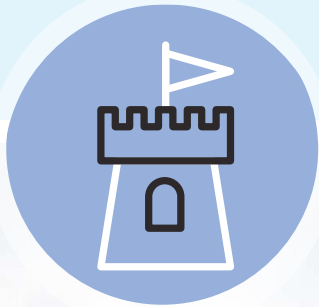
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Makers Yard Leicester

It is a wonderful space with a wonderful new use. They have gone to great lengths not to disturb the original features.

Stuart Bailey, Chairman of Leicester Civic Society

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Makers' Yard Building Conversion, Leicester

BSP Consulting delivered structural engineering services for the regeneration of the Grade II listed former Charnwood Hosiery Factory, an 1860s industrial building within Leicester's Cultural Quarter. The project transformed a derelict historic asset into ten flexible workspaces for creative industries, incorporating improved accessibility, a new lift and stair core, and shared facilities. Extensive repair and strengthening of historic timber and masonry elements were undertaken to accommodate new uses while preserving the building's character, resulting in an award-winning regeneration scheme.

Client: Leicester City Council



The Vulcan Works, Grade II Listed Building, Northampton

A £14m SEMLEP-backed regeneration project transforming the disused Grade II listed Vulcan Works into a cultural and innovation hub in central Northampton. BSP Consulting acted as civil, structural and environmental engineer, also delivering ground investigation and detailed design services. The scheme converts the former ironworks into the Institute for Creative Leather Technologies and managed workspaces, providing 49 flexible units to support creative industries and economic growth while sensitively retaining the site's historic industrial character.

Client: Northampton Borough Council



Scraptoft Hall, 18th Century Mansion, Leicestershire

BSP Consulting provided civil and structural engineering services for the sensitive refurbishment and extension of Scraptoft Hall, a Grade II listed 18th-century Queen Anne mansion built in 1723. The project involved the design of a new additional floor extension alongside repairs and alterations to the historic structure, ensuring the building's long-term viability while respecting its architectural significance and historic fabric.

Client: GS Developments



Jewry Wall Museum Renovation, Leicester

BSP Consulting was appointed by Leicester City Council as civil and structural engineer for the major renovation of the Jewry Wall Museum, home to one of the UK's tallest surviving Roman structures. The scheme includes a new entrance and rear lobby, and a linking walkway between the existing museum and the former Vaughan College buildings. BSP assessed the scheme and progressed it through to construction, supporting the transformation of the site into a world-class heritage and visitor destination.

Client: Leicester City Council

