

IHBC SE Branch CPD Event

Striking the right balance: Fire Protection and Regulation in the Historic Environment Friday 19th September 2025: 09.00 - 16.30

One Warwick Park, 1 Warwick Park, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 5TA



This day course provides an introduction to, and awareness of the spread and growth of fire in traditional and historic buildings and will include:-

- An understanding of the spread and growth of fire
- Overview of weaknesses in heritage buildings and fire spread
- Historic fire testing and solutions
- Legislation and guides
- Fire risk assessments
- Ecclesiastical buildings, statistics, collapse of stone vaults, fire-fighting in cathedrals.
- The use of decision-making tools

Cost, including the buffet lunch: £40 IHBC members and £50 for non-members, £15 to IHBC Students/Unwaged. Bookings can be made via TicketSource.

Joining instructions will be issued nearer the date and CPD certificates can be provided on request.

For details see over

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Steve Emery is a director of Heritage Fire Consultancy with over 50 years experience in fire safety, the last 35 years with heritage buildings. After 15 years of operational firefighting, Steve worked for 12 years as fire safety officer for the City of Bath, followed by 15 years with English Heritage and Historic England, 6 years for the University of Oxford and 2 years as a fire consultant.

AGENDA

9:00	Teas and Coffee – Networking
9:20	Introduction and Overview – Jo Saady - IHBC SE Branch (Chair)
9:30	Session 1- Steve Emery : Heritage Fire Consultancy
11:00	Refreshment Break
11:15	Session 2: Steve Emery: Heritage Fire Consultancy
12:00	Lunch/networking
12:45	Session 3 - Steve Emery : Heritage Fire Consultancy
14:45	Q&A and discussion
15:00	End of formal training
15.10	Optional tour of the Church of King Charles the Martyr led by Richard Morrice - IHBC SE Branch Committee
16:30	End and optional further networking at the Sussex Arms (or similar)