



Lambeth Palace Library: The Great Hall repair project

Client: The Church Commissioners for England and Lambeth Palace Library

The work to the grade one listed seventeenth century Hall described by Pepys as ‘...a new old fashioned hall’ included a new limecrete floor internally with a marble finish inspired by engravings within the Library’s collection, redecoration and repairs to the bookcases, stone cleaning of the magnificent frieze and cornice and extensive repairs to the parapets, cornice and finials with a mason and two apprentices on site throughout the work. The landmark two tier lantern was re-leaded, glazing repaired and the weathervane repaired. New lead gutters were provided. Energy efficient lighting and a conservation underfloor heating system maintains a steady RH suitable for the Library’s internationally important books, controlled by multiple sensors and computer monitoring. We led the design team, acted as contract administrator and led visits to site by staff and other groups.

Awards & publications: Shortlisted for RICS award 2016, featured in Church Building and Heritage Review March/April 2016, Lambeth Palace Library Annual Review 2015.