

CASE STUDY – *Middle Temple Hall*

Client:

Honourable Society of the Middle Temple

Architect:

Adriel Consultancy

Quantity Surveyor:

P J Flemming Associates

Engineer:

Wheeler & Jupp

Principal Contractor:

Stonewest Ltd

Value: £500k

Date: 1994-1995



Description

Stonewest were appointed to carry out the cleaning and restoration to this Scheduled Ancient Monument, dating back to 1585 and Elizabethan times, constructed of red brick, Portland and Bath stone.

The works involved:

- Prior to work starting, extensive trials were undertaken to determine the best methods of cleaning the various façade finishes, which had suffered from the ravages of our climate and urban pollution.
- To achieve a uniform finish, a gentle water wash was employed, with spot areas of wet abrasive cleaning on the stone as required.
- Extensive discussion took place with English Heritage and The Corporation of London, to maintain the historic material content during restoration, which included repointing with suitable lime based mortars, the rebuilding of four stone pinnacles which were severely out of plumb, leadwork repairs and all necessary scaffolding.