

## **Guildford Design Awards 2023 Entry Requirements**

### **RHS Garden Wisley – The Old Laboratory**

1. Address of Scheme including postcode

The Old Laboratory  
RHS Garden Wisley  
Woking  
Surrey  
GU23 6QB

2. Category of Project

Conservation Project

3. Name of Client

The Royal Horticultural Society

4. Architect, Design Consultants or Artist

Responsible for all internal and external fabric repairs and alterations

Samir Khatri, Architect Partner  
Philip Hughes Associates  
Historic Building Conservation Consultants  
Old Manor Stables  
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Somerset  
BA9 9DL

Responsible for the internal exhibition design elements and furniture

Paul Davis, Managing Director  
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5. Key contact - Email address, phone number, etc.

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6. Brief description of the Project including key features of the design, maximum 1 page A4

The works consisted of:

- Replacement boiler and heating systems
- Underpinning of failing structure at north end of the building
- Demolition of old arrivals, retail and café masking the car park facing elevation of the Old Laboratory Building
- Repair and conservation of all damaged and aging external fabric elements. Included the erection of new porch using historic photographs for design reference and repairing scars of where demolished building fixed to historic fabric
- Creation of the new external landscape
- Refurbishment of all interior office, storage and communal spaces
- Provision of fire compartmentation and separation throughout the building to conform with all relevant fire safety legislation
- Replacement and introduction of new security, fire and safety alarm systems throughout
- Creation of public exhibition spaces with full restoration of historic interiors and set design

7. Photographs of the completed project (include existing photographs, plans and elevations, as appropriate for the Conservation Project and Regeneration Project categories)



Wisley Laboratory 2023



Wisley Front of House Regeneration



2016



2019



2023





c.1920



2020



2022



## Porch Reconstruction 2021/22



c. 1920



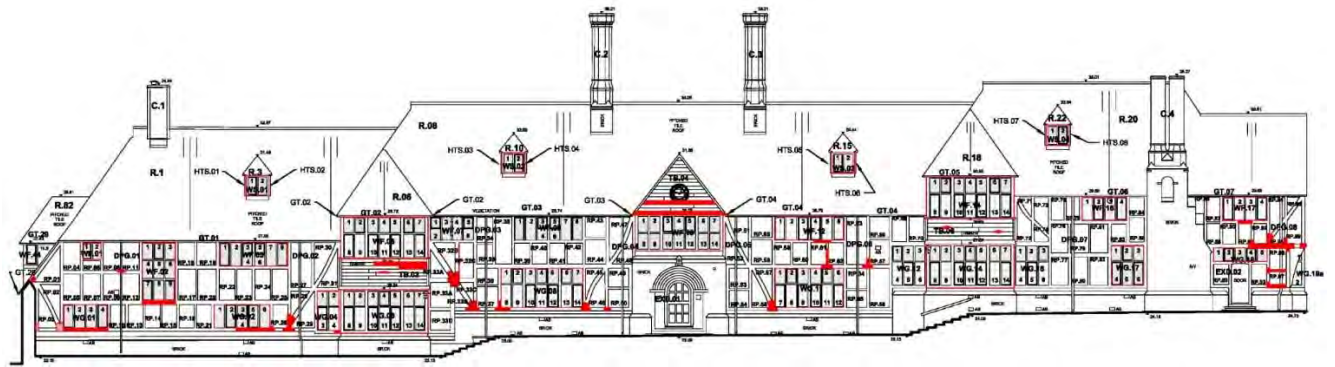
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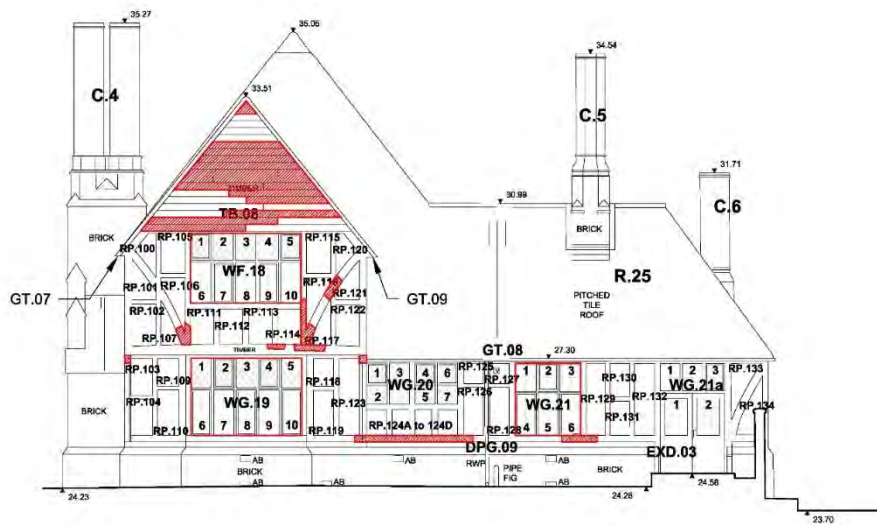
2022

## External Fabric Repairs 2021





West Elevation Timber Repairs



South Elevation Timber Repairs



## Lecture Room Internal Refurbishment and Exhibition Fit Out



c.1920



2021



2023

### Laboratory Room Internal Refurbishment and Exhibition Fit Out



2021



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### Gallery Internal Refurbishment and Exhibition Fit Out



2021



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### Entrance Hall Internal Refurbishment and Exhibition Fit Out



2021



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### Advisory Office Internal Refurbishment and Exhibition Fit Out



2021



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