

SPAB Faith in Maintenance

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Project Summary 2010

Number	Faith in Maintenance held 33 courses in 2010. In addition, we ran 8 workshops for young people.
Venues	Wells, Chippenham, Farnborough, Truro, Exeter, Hinckley, Keswick, Stowmarket, Leominster, Newcastle, Bicester, Lindfield, Barnard Castle, Attleborough, Llandudno, Wrexham, North Luffenham, Southsea, Silkstone, Yarburgh, Alnwick, Bristol, Northampton, Market Lavington, London, Albrighton, Cookham, Blandford, Burton Joyce, Lincoln, Hartley Wintney, Westerham, Reydon.
Attendance	Approximately 930 volunteers took part in 2010 (the average attendance was 28).
Criteria	Courses are free and open to any volunteer looking after a historic place of worship (not just listed buildings).
Support	Delegates are given a copy of the <i>Good Maintenance Guide</i> and the <i>Maintenance Calendar</i> . They also have access to advice and guidance on the project website, the free technical helpline and the email bulletin service.
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Funding	£565,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund and £125,000 from English Heritage.
Objectives	To deliver a maintenance training course. To devise an effective support system (information in a range of media). To reach as many and as diverse a range of volunteers as possible. To raise awareness of the need for regular and basic routine maintenance. To encourage greater understanding of the history and interest of historic PoWs. To enhance the skills, expertise and personal development of volunteers. To promote the SPAB's philosophy – daily care, conservative repair etc.
Feedback	<i>"I found the day very informative and will use the knowledge gained to look at our buildings with new eyes. Many thanks for your help. I did enjoy the seminar and gained a good deal of useful ideas as to buildings maintenance and recognition of problems. I hope to put into practice some of these ideas."</i> <i>I feel very honoured to have been invited to such a good FREE course! I think you and SPAB should be congratulated for organizing such courses."</i> <i>"Thank you for an excellent course yesterday. I was particularly pleased that it was in 'lay speak'. I left the course much more confident than when I arrived!"</i> <i>"Many thanks for sharing a little bit of your knowledge and increasing mine tenfold."</i>



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