

# Powderham Castle, Repairs to the Belvedere

Built between 1771 and 1774 in the gothic style and in the landscaped tradition of country houses the Belvedere of Powderham Castle was damaged by fire in the 1950s and has remained ruinous since. Ellis and Co were commissioned to undertake repairs to secure its structure. We reinstated the roof to the main part of the tower and turrets, installed lightning protection provided weather protections to the windows and openings, created a new ledged and braced door and oak frame, removed iron cramps from stonework, strengthened the structure and repointed brickwork. Our leadworkers created and installed a bespoke leadwork hopper and rainwater downpipes. Work was instructed by Phillip Hughes & Associates. This completion of this project led to the removal of this property from Historic England's Heritage at Risk Register.

*"It has been a pleasure being involved in this worthwhile historical project and to see its partial fruition. The close working partnership between Lord Devon, the Contractor, Historic England and Teignbridge Council has truly yielded great results.*

*The contractor's workmanship, skill and enthusiastic love of preservation has resulted in truly wonderfully historic features being renovated to keep this building preserves for generations to come".*

Kevin Lake, Teignbridge councillor for Exminster /Kenn Valley, executive member for Environment.



