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a) Raised area in rear car park

Evidence that the rear car park area has been raised in the past. Historical research and ground investigation needed as this may hold answers to some of the following damp and movement problems.

Remedial measures may need to be introduced to reverse any adverse effects attributable to this raised area. There may be ownership and archaeological issues to contend with.

Possible measures may include a reduction in ground levels, replacement of any damaged drainage found, new land drainage and below ground water proofing.

b) Concrete floor to Director's Lavatories Deteriorating condition that left untreated could result in further consequential damage to adjacent fabric & structure, structural failure and render both upper and ground floors unusable.

Repair or replacement will be expensive.

The floor repair addresses a key symptom but doesn't resolve the cause. RGC recommended the following actions locally that are contributing to the damp:-

- Repairing nearby rainwater goods.
- Repointing externally.
- Removing vegetation and treating area.
- Investigating the ground which has been raised in the past.
- Depending on results of investigations introducing more land drainage.

At the floor above the movement has caused damage throughout joinery and finishes which will require full refurbishment to address.

Introduction of ventilation and background heating in strong room.

c) Brick Arches in Ground Floor Walkway Cracking and distortion evident.

Minor repairs required to prevent failure within a public access route.

Similarly to above the cause of the movement is unresolved.

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d)	Down pipes discharging onto ground	These are evident at the front entrance and to the rear of the ground floor strong room
		The years of water saturation at these points may be contributing to the overall building movement and dampness.
		The front pipe spillage is adjacent to neighbouring property which may also be affected.
		Both points of discharge should be either connected to the main drainage system or to a safe soakaway position.
		A full camera survey of below ground drainage has been proposed.
e)	Rear Extension including Directors' Toilet	Water ingress from roof and lanterns affecting fabric below. Rainwater goods, flashings etc.
		Horizontal cracking evident along base of parapet wall internal face.
		Vertical cracking on external face of wall.
		Further investigation required and basic maintenance at high level.
		Clearance of debris from roof void and introduction of insulation and ventilation.
f)	First Floor Landing Toilet	Evidence of cracks internally and externally indicating structural movement.
g)	Drawing Office – externally	Various signs of building movement are evident such as misaligned junctions.
		Spot items of timber decay.
		General investigation of key structural building points and localised repairs.
h)	Drawing Office – internally	Significant area of damp to be investigated
		Variable floor levels and soft spots – hidden by carpeting and boarding.
		Further investigation to expose extent and nature of defect or design flaw from floor and ceiling below. Engage a timber treatment specialist for this and other areas.
i)	External staircase area – cracking	Several examples of cracking.
		Further investigation required.
k)	External staircase area – modern enclosure	This feature seems to be contributing to the list of problems with inadequate drainage and seals.
		Adjacent timber boarding showing signs of rot.
I)	Internal lintel over half landing	Cracking potentially due to corrosion of lintel
	toilet doorway	Replacing lintel was included in the recent tender package < £1,000 including making good.

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m) Archive – internally Soft spots and levels in floor.

This is in the opposite side to the building and may be more of an issue with the past introduction of the archive. Area below to be accessed in further

investigation.

n) High level problems Neither expert has had the opportunity to inspect

at high level roof or the bellcote.

A drone survey has been undertaken and further high level inspection such as by rope access could

be considered.

o) Rainwater goods generally Survey to identify week spots, defects and capacity

with a view to improvements and repairs.

p) External rendering and cladding Review to establish effectiveness of surface

renders and boarding.

Localised removal to aid inspections of cracking.

Possible replacement or redecoration.

q) Windows They require basic maintenance.

Consideration for improvements to sound, draughts and energy loss could be undertaken.

r) Fire and health & safety audits These together with a review of the asbestos

survey position have been recommended.

s) Building services To be investigated.

t) Ground conditions The buildings appear to lie on alluvial and soft

ground with the likelihood of concealed water

courses.



