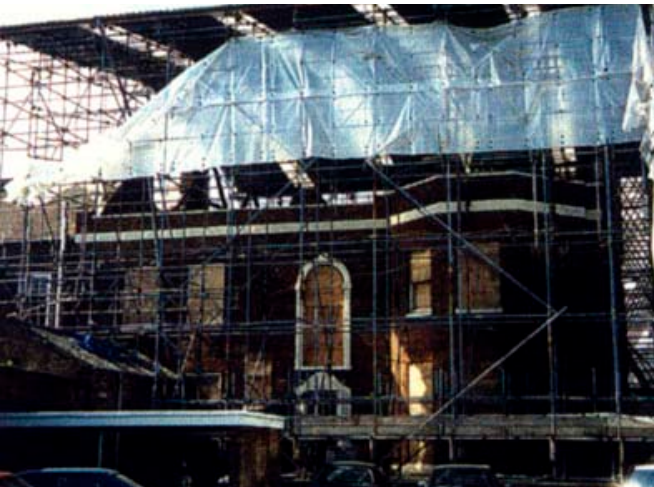


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Holland House, Spalding, Lincolnshire

Restoration Works to Grade II Listed Building

Described as architecturally the 'best in the town', in *The Buildings of England*, Holland House was built in 1768 for John Richards; designed by the architect, William Sands junior in a red-brown stock Flemish bond brickwork with painted stone and plaster dressings. The house, on the High Street and facing the River Welland, passed from private ownership to the Crown and was in use until 16th January 1993, when it was extensively damaged by arson.

As a consequence of salt water used to fight the fire and water ingress from the loss of the roof, the building became very damp and required a temporary roof. Using our expertise in conservation, Acanthus Clews were able to restore the building whilst it was still damp and allow a long term drying out process, without affecting the fabric. All client targets were achieved and the restoration reinstated original detail lost in earlier 20th century alterations.