



Placement Specification

Placement Title:	Heritage Stonemasonry Trainee
Placement Provider:	Lincoln Cathedral
Placement Supervisor:	Paul Booth, Head Stone Mason
Reporting to:	Elanor Johnson, North Regional Heritage Skills Coordinator
Location of placement:	Lincoln Cathedral and associated buildings
Bursary amount:	£1050 per month
Period of Training:	12 months
Start date:	September 2016, exact date TBC
Completion date:	September 2017, exact date TBC
Attendance:	38.75 hours per week. Hours of work are from 8.00 to 16.45 Monday to Thursday and from 8.00 to 15.30 on Friday with an unpaid meal break of 45 minutes each day

Overall Purpose of the Placement:

The placement will be based at the spectacular Grade I Listed Lincoln Cathedral, carrying out repair and conservation work to the Cathedral and other associated properties cared for by Lincoln Cathedral Works Department. The candidate will be provided with a broad range of learning opportunities to obtain suitable skills and evidence working towards a level 3 Heritage Skills NVQ Diploma in stonemasonry.

Main Areas of Work for the Trainee:

- To carry out stonemasonry tasks under supervision of experienced stonemason/supervisor
- To gain experience in a variety of skills in order to meet the training targets as specified in an Individual Training Plan and to be agreed with the Supervisor/Regional Heritage Skills Coordinator. It is anticipated that the following range of skills will be covered during the course of the placement:
 - Reading specifications, method statements, schedules
 - Reading drawings
 - Recording work
 - Recognising architectural / archaeological features
 - Preparation of stone work and lime mortars
 - Correct use of hand tools and power tools
 - Dismantling original material with a conservation ethic
 - Cutting out failed materials and indenting
 - Cutting out hard cement pointing
 - Re-pointing
 - Selection of stone for new pieces to be-worked
 - Carry out stone cleaning to gain an understanding of stone conservation
 - Re-building of dismantled elements

- Building in harmony with existing structure
 - Judging correct alignment / marrying old and new stonework
 - Estimating materials
 - Aftercare of stone and mortars
- To be accountable for their own development by undertaking and completing records in accordance with the Bursary Holder agreement
- To follow specific instructions from their Placement Provider
- To ensure that all work is undertaken in line with the Placement Provider's policies and rules and those of the Building Traditional Skills Resilience Community in England project
- To be responsible for the health and safety of themselves and of others who may be affected by their acts or omissions at work. Trainees will be taught how to work safely and will be taught about the risks associated with the project and how to avoid them
- They will also learn how to work with respect for the historic environment in order to avoid inadvertent harm to the fabric.
- The Trainee may be required to perform other duties or tasks as may be reasonably requested by the Placement Provider and will be expected to work within the Bursary Terms and Conditions