

Regional Network CPD Club: A partnership initiative between **RIBA West Midlands**, RIBA North West, RIBA East Midlands, RIBA North, RIBA Yorkshire

## Diagnosing Defects in Buildings Thursday 27 October 2009

It is fundamental that all building professionals have a thorough understanding of building defects. This half-day seminar will make a comprehensive examination of defect diagnosis through a wide range of building failures.

The seminar content will include:  
Defects in Building - Diagnosing the cause

- What is a failure? expectation, breach of relevant building code
- What was the nature of failure
- Is it a failure? Who decides and how is it established
- What circumstances caused the failure? Errors of design, construction etc
- Who should have avoided those circumstances occurring?
- Was the failure avoidable in the circumstances?
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Where are errors being made?

- Design. Failures to relate to location, interfaces, required demands, clients expectations, innovation
- Changes - cost reduction, failure to warn and identify
- Tolerance - change in dimension due to moisture or heat
- Ability of ground to carry load/ stability weather change
- Finishes - quality expected/anticipated and delivered
- Finishes - quality - acceptance or rejection

There will also be ample opportunity to get answers to your specific building defects questions.

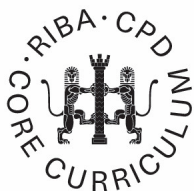
### Speaker: Professor Malcolm Hollis.

Malcolm is a Chartered Surveyor and Building Pathologist. He is Consultant and Professor of Building Pathology at the University of Reading. He has authored books and publications including a series of *Pocket Surveying Buildings*, is a Member of the Validation Board for the RIBA and Managing Editor of *The Journal of Building Appraisal*

Venue: Fazeley Studios, 191 Fazeley Street, Digbeth, Birmingham, B5 5SE

Date: Thursday 27 October 2009 - 14.00-17.00 (registration 13.30)

<u>Fees:</u>	RIBA Club Members	Free
	RIBA Club Members Guests	£47.15 (£41.00 + VAT)
	RIBA Members	£64.98 (£56.50 + VAT)
	Student Members	£28.75 (£25.00 + VAT)
	Others	£88.55 (£77.00 + VAT)



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