

The Home and Dry team has assembled a group of speakers who will demonstrate the principle and practice of extending historic buildings.

The event will take place in the listed Markethill Courthouse which, prior to its rescue by Markethill District Enterprises, featured in the Ulster Architectural Heritage Society's first volume of 'Buildings at Risk'. Consarc Design Group achieved a small extension on a tight site to accommodate a nursery school and to help provide a sustainable future for the listed building.

After lunch there will be a visit to Marlacoo House nearby. This B1 listed building had a small extension added in 2007 which demonstrates how private owners can improve the aspect of a house while maintaining its integrity.

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**How to extend
historic buildings**

**Co. Armagh,
Friday 16th May 2008**

There are many reasons for extending an historic building. Perhaps it is too small to meet modern standards of living or has been a building at risk for years and is being restored. Often a public building needs new facilities to meet current building regulations. How can we sensitively accommodate our growing needs while respecting original fabric?

Every historic building is different but there are a number of common principles when considering extensions:

- the historic building should be dominant in scale
- there should be a visual distinction between old and new
- the extension should be well designed and use high quality materials

These basic principles help ensure that the identity and integrity of the historic building is respected and its special character retained.

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Programme

- 10.00-10.30 Registration & Coffee
- 10.30-11.00 *The EHS philosophy for extending listed buildings*
Manus Deery, Assistant Director EHS: Built Heritage
- 11.00-11.30 *Keeping it simple*
Paul McTernan, Colin Buchanan & Partners, authors of Cork Rural Design Guide
- 11.30-11.50 *How to make the building regulations work for you*
Joseph Birt, Building Control, Down District Council
- 11.50-12.20 *Engaging a professional for your project*
Chris McCollum, McCollum Building Surveying
- 12.20-12.30 Introducing the Courthouse and Marlacoo House
- 12.30-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30- 14.00 Tour of Markethill Courthouse,
Dawson Stelfox, Consarc Design Group
- 14.30 -15.30 Visit to Marlacoo House,
Primrose Wilson and Patton Minor Works

BOOKING FORM

Cost of attending includes tea/coffee and lunch
£40 per person
£30 for UAHS members or owners of historic buildings

Please provide dietary requirements if any:

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

I/we would like to book place(s) at '**Home and Dry – How to extend historic buildings**' on **Friday 16th May 2008**.

Further details will be forwarded on receipt of your cheque, made payable to 'UAHS', and completed booking form. If paying by Visa and Mastercard please state which and provide your number, expiry date and security code:

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Post to: The Secretary, Ulster Architectural Heritage Society, 66 Donegall Pass, Belfast, BT7 1BU.

Applications are to be received no later than **1st May 2008**.