# **Sourcing a Conservation Consultant for your Project**

You are **NOT** required to hire a conservation consultant at the application stage but you do have to let us know who will be providing conservation input if your application is successful. This will likely require a conversation with a conservation consultant at application stage.

Neither the Heritage Council nor the Department have a register of conservation consultants available to the public. The following sources may be useful in locating a conversation consultant:

#### www.riai.ie

The website of the Royal Society of Architects in Ireland. The system of conservation accreditation ranges from grade 3 up to grade 1. Further details on the conservation accreditation system available online. Once you open the website click on work with an architect, then click on find an architect and you can then search by name, county, conservation grade etc. to locate a conservation architect.

### www.igs.ie

The website of the Irish Georgian Society. At the top of the homepage click on conservation. This will bring you to the conservation page which has a link to the Traditional Building Skills Register. Click on the register and you can then search by location and/or category.

## www.scsi.ie

The website for the Society of Chartered Surveyors in Ireland. On the homepage click on membership. Scroll down and then click on RICS Accredited in Building Conservation where you will find the register of surveyors who have attained a recognised standard of knowledge and experience in building conservation.

### www.iei.ie

The website of Engineers Ireland. CARE is the Conservation Register for Engineers. CARE has been recently established in Ireland to identify civil and structural engineers skilled in the conservation of historical structures and sites.

There are also conservation professionals who are not members of any of these groups but do have conservation expertise and qualifications and take an active interest in keeping up to date with conservation Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses. Conservation bodies such as the Building Limes Forum of Ireland www.buildinglimesforumireland.com, ICOMOS Ireland www.icomos.ie, Earth Building UK & Ireland www.ebuki.co and SPAB Ireland https://www.facebook.com/spabireland/ may be a helpful resource.

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