

**How the Georgians built – with elegance
methods & materials
From foundations to chimney pots
1780s – 1830s**

Thursday, 23 and Friday 24 July 2026

**at
The Regency Town House
13 Brunswick Square
Hove
BN3 1EH**

**With Neil England
Demonstrations by John Zielinski**

**£460; 15% discount for IHBC SHT RICS, RIBA, and Regency Society members
The course qualifies for 16 hours of CPD**

Day 1

10:00 – 11:00

- Welcome, introductions & housekeeping
- Refreshments, Hand out Intro packs
- Presentation on the Regency Town House and its basement at No.10

11:00 – 12:00

- Why we bother to learn beyond the viewable and obvious
- What drove the dreamers? Historical techniques of the builders
- The elements of the construction used and why
- An introduction to timbers, walls, plaster internal, stucco external and finishes, decorative and plain – and the end product

12:00 – 13:00

- An overview of B&Hove structures Neil has been involved in.
- Changes implemented during the period
- How fashion and trends drove design decisions
- Necessary adaptation of skills

13:00 – 14:00

Break for Lunch

Options for refreshments via in-house tea/coffee/sandwiches/cakes
Restaurants and takeaways available on the nearby Western Road

14:00 – 17:00

- The buildings survival through the late 20th century
- Today's perception of the structures
- Ideal repair techniques
- Adapting to the 21st century

17:00 – 18:00

- Q&A

Day 2

10:00 – 11:30

- Welcome, tea/coffee/refreshments
- Brief recap of what we've learned so far
- Presentation on insulation and energy ratings: the reality vs the noise
- Sash windows and their role in heat retention

11:30 – 13:00

- Bungaroosh: what it is and why it exists
- Understanding stucco, plain and decorative, and materials used
- Timber types and their sources during the period
- The interaction of shared loadings
- Original builders' techniques, like-for-like repairs and maintenance
- The role of failure in repairs, how to assess and guide best outcomes
- Hit list: methods and materials

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Meet outside No.10 Brunswick Square basement for 14:00

14:00 – 17:00

- Guided tour of No 13 and walk-through of No.10 basement
- Demonstration in rear workshop of mold casting of historical elements with finished casts to take home
- Return to the Regency Town House
- Decorative finishes explained, both internal and external
- Today's view of methods and repairs, with outcomes and recommendations
- A discussion on the Conservation Officer's role and reach: beyond the red tape!
- A discussion on Listing and how it affects us all

17:00 – 18:00

- Discuss the next course, content, dates and pricing
- Final Q&A

CPD certificates will be issued by HBA after course completion.

Notes: