

Case Study



Protecting Newbury's historic Town Hall





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Newbury Town Hall is a distinctive building that dominates the town's Market Place and is one of its most prominent buildings. The Town Hall's clock tower is a much-loved landmark that can be seen from a distance. The blue and red brick building was built in the Gothic style in 1878-81. In more recent years, weddings and civil ceremonies and other events have taken place within the building. In September 2016 the Town Hall was hit by an 'extreme' bolt of lightning to the north of the building.

Following the lightning strike, Premier Technical Services Group PLC (PTSG)'s Electrical Services Division was contracted by Newbury Town Council to upgrade the existing lightning protection system and surge installation at the Town Hall, to bring the systems up to relevant compliance standards.

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The project required PTSG's specialist team to utilize a 35-metre truck mounted access unit to carry out works. The team worked in close collaboration and was involved in project meetings with the client and other stakeholders to obtain the necessary permissions and licenses required, as well as effectively communicating the nature of the work to interested parties, in order to deliver the project.

John Warren, a director of PTSG's Electrical Services division, said: "The upgrade of systems to Newbury Town Hall has been completed with all parties involved satisfied with the outcome. The client was particularly satisfied with the planning and communication of the work schedule we provided.

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