

PTSG makes historic Wallace Tower safe and operational

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<u>Premier Technical Services Group Ltd (PTSG)</u> has completed a specialist at-height project Wallace Tower, a picturesque gothic structure in Ayr, South-West Scotland.

The Wallace Tower was built to commemorate William Wallace at the time of an upsurge in the Scottish desire for self-determination. A visitors' book originally sat in the warden's lodge which existed alongside the tower, demonstrating that in its opening year (1857-8) over two thousand visitors passed through the Tower and lodge. A number of historically significant portraits were displayed inside, with subjects including Robert Burns, Robert the Bruce and Wallace himself.

A random inspection of the structure highlighted found that the tower façades had loose and stonework which was falling to the directly above the busy streets. PTSG's <u>steeplejacks and rope access engineers</u>, based in Edinburgh, were mobilised immediately to site to make safe the historic structure.

Overhead protection was required, which was provided by installing scaffolding and safety netting to protect the public from falling masonry. This also gave engineers full access to make the stonework fully safe. Following successful completion of the masonry work, the street has been fully opened.