

# First Response Group awarded prestigious contract to safeguard the keys to English history

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First Response Group (FRG), the nationwide security, risk, and property protection business, has won a contract with [English Heritage](#), a charity that manages more than 400 historic monuments, buildings and places.

The three-year contract, with an option to extend to five, covers security guarding at some of the most iconic and historical venues in English history including Apsley House, the former London home of the first Duke of Wellington and once known as 'Number 1 London', Dover Castle, Kenilworth Castle, Eltham Palace, Kenwood House and Marble Hill House, plus an additional 80 sites for keyholding and response from 8th April.

Alex Philotis, stadium and events director, FRG said: "It is an honour to be awarded this contract and protect our sites of national historical importance for future generations. Our personnel are immersing themselves in the historical significance of each venue, to become a trusted part of the English Heritage teams across the whole of England.

"On a personal level, I'm really excited to be working on this aspirational contract, there is something new to learn about English history every day."

Daisy Poole, head of commercial development at English Heritage said: "We are delighted to award the contract for the majority of our sites to First Response Group, not only for their expertise and experience but because they hold the same principles and values and take the same approach and commitment to

people within the organisation as we do. We are looking forward to welcoming FRG as part of our team.”

FRG has recently won the Outstanding Contract Security Company (Guarding) award at the industry’s [Outstanding Security Performance Awards \(OSPAs\)](#) and recently scooped two awards at the [Security & Fire Excellence Awards](#) in December (2023) for the company’s work with Wembley Stadium.