



#BrutalismNow - From listing "British Brutalism" in the World Monuments Watch to Preston Bus Station's 50th birthday: so, where are we now?

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Three buildings had been named as examples when "**British Brutalism**" was included in the **2012 World Monument Watch: London's Southbank Centre, Birmingham Central Library, and Preston Bus Station**. Their individual stories since then vary significantly and raise intriguing questions about designation, refurbishment and re-use, and contemporary architecture. To begin with, all three buildings had applications for Certificate of Immunity from Listing submitted by their owners. Two of those Certificates were issued, whereas the third building was actually listed, despite two earlier rejections. Yet, only one building has been demolished and there are two buildings currently celebrated for their high quality refurbishment – both of these also winning a number of **architecture awards**, including a place **in the long list for the highest architectural award, the RIBA Stirling Prize**, as well as a **heritage award** for one of them.

So, what are the wider implications of these parallel stories?

Join our international group of architecture and heritage experts for what promises to be a fascinating day.

Full details here: <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/architecture/events/brutalismnow/>



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08:30-09:30	Registration / Refreshments	
09:30-09:50	Welcome and Introduction	
09:50-10:40	Session 1	Heritage designation and protection: is it necessary? Chair: Dr Elain Harwood, Senior Architectural Investigator, Historic England
		Dr Adrian Green, Department of History, Durham University The campaign for Dunelm House
		Clare Price, Head of Casework, Twentieth Century Society Campaigning for heritage protection
		Doug Black, Team Leader, Conservation & Urban Design, London Borough of Lambeth Local designation and protection for twentieth-century heritage assets
10:40-11:00	Refreshments	
11:00-11:50	Session 2	Dealing with existing post-war buildings of (special) interest: architecture professional perspectives Chair: Angela Brady OBE PPRIBA, Brady Mallalieu Architects
		Peter Clegg, Senior Partner, Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios Southbank Centre, London
		John Puttick, John Puttick Associates Preston Bus Station
		Jon Wright, C20 Heritage Consultant, Purcell Hilda Besse, St Antony’s College, Oxford
11:50-12:50	Lunch	
12:50-13:40	Session 3	Post-war conservation management: heritage professional perspectives Chair: Dr Seán O'Reilly, Director, IHBC
		Doug Black, Team Leader, Conservation & Urban Design, London Borough of Lambeth The National Theatre refurbishment
		Andrew Shepherd, Chair of Education Committee, IHBC Training needs: progress and current initiatives
		Janie Price, RIBA Conservation Register Dealing with post-war architecture
13:40-13:50	Break	
13:50-14:50	Session 4	Preston Bus Station at 50: did we ever expect this and does it matter? Chair: Dr Christina Malathouni, School of Architecture, University of Liverpool
		Charles Wilson, former BDP architect Recollections from the original design team
		Rowan Moore, Architecture critic, <i>The Observer</i> In top five buildings of 2018
		Charles Quick, Professor of Public Art Practice, UCLAN rowspan="2">The view from the city
		James Arnold, History Curator, Harris Museum, Preston
14:50-15:10	Refreshments	
15:10-16:10	Keynote lecture	‘Brutalism - a reverence for materials?’ , Adrian Forty, Professor Emeritus of Architectural History, The Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL
16:10-16:20	Break	
16:20-17:30	Panel discussion	British Brutalism and other challenged C20 heritage: advocacy and practice Chair: Catherine Croft, Director, Twentieth Century Society
		John Darlington, Executive Director, World Monuments Fund Britain
		Angela Brady OBE PPRIBA, Brady Mallalieu Architects
		Dr Elain Harwood, Senior Architectural Investigator, Historic England
		Stuart Tappin, UK representative, ICOMOS-ISC20C
		Susan Macdonald, Head of Buildings & Sites, Getty Conservation Institute
17:30-19:00	Drinks reception	