

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND TO BUILDING LEGISLATION IN HONG KONG



Supporting organisation: HKIS Building Surveying Division

- Date:** 2 December 2020 (Wednesday)
- Time:** 7:00pm – 8:00pm
- Speaker:** Sr. Robin Howes FRICS, FHKIS, AP/S, RPS/B, HKICON  
Managing Director of KCL, FiSEC Ltd.
- Venue:** By online media – ZOOM
- CPD Points:** 1 CPD credit hours
- Language:** English
- Fee:** HK\$50 for HKICON Members, HKIS Members and non-HKICON Members  
Limited to 100 Participates  
Free admission for current ACP students  
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<https://member.hkicon.org/events/20201202>

## About the CPD Talk:

To better understand our historic buildings, we often research their historic background, original uses, past events etc. Do you understand the legislation and control that were in force when the building was built? It will give you some clue on its original design and settings.

In this CPD Robin will give a brief history of building legislation in Hong Kong, review the origin and the purpose of legislation from the mid-19th to mid-20th Century and show how the legislation impacted building design in Hong Kong.

## About the Speaker:

### **Sr. Robin Howes**

Robin is a senior Building Surveyor who started his professional working life in the Greater London Council, spent 22 years in the Building Ordinance Office/PWD/Buildings Dept., including secondments to Lands Dept. for the Kowloon Walled City demolition and setting up the HAD Office of the Licensing Authority.

On leaving Government he establishing the local office of Fire Safety Engineering Consultants then formed KCL.FiSEC Ltd a fire and building surveying company.

While working as an AP he returned to his London roots with bricks and timber buildings, joint venturing with a heritage architect and an engineer for renovations of Tin Hau Temple in Causeway Bay, Lui Ying Lung in Sheung Shui and a heritage project at Tsing Shan. Working with other heritage companies or on his he has undertaken condition surveys and renovations for older buildings including as Surveyor to the Fabric for St. John's Cathedral, consultant to the Old Dairy Farm Building and specializing in condition surveys of timber roofed Western & Chinese heritage buildings. As a contrast he has also acted as licensing AP for circuses and similar temporary places of public entertainment events.

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