



NORTHERN HUNTERS

**INFORMATION FOR
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About Northern Hunters UK

Northern Hunters UK is a North East-based private investigation group with a focused interest in the history, atmosphere, and environmental characteristics of heritage and historic buildings.

We operate on a strictly private, non-commercial basis, with all activity carried out among established members. We do not run public events, sell tickets, or invite external participants. This allows us to maintain a controlled, consistent and low-impact presence within any venue we are granted access to.

Our approach is built on a balance of curiosity and professionalism. While we are interested in the unique character and history of each location, we recognise that these spaces often hold significant heritage, cultural or personal value. For that reason, every visit is conducted with care, preparation and a clear sense of responsibility.

We understand that allowing access to an external group requires trust. We therefore work in a transparent and cooperative way with every venue, ensuring that expectations are clearly agreed and fully respected at all times.

Our Approach

Each investigation is carefully planned in advance, with consideration given to the layout, condition, and significance of the building. We operate in small, coordinated groups, typically between six and ten members, to ensure that activity remains controlled, quiet, and non-disruptive.

Time within the venue is structured, with clear oversight from experienced team members. Movement throughout the building is managed to avoid unnecessary disturbance, and all activity takes place within agreed areas only.

Our approach is deliberately non-invasive. We do not alter the environment, interfere with objects, or introduce any form of disruption. There is no amplified sound, and no behaviour that would detract from the atmosphere or integrity of the space.

This measured and considered approach allows us to explore locations in a way that is respectful, contained, and aligned with the expectations of venue owners and custodians.

Respect for the Venue

Respect for the venue sits at the centre of everything we do. We recognise that many of the locations we access are not only historically significant, but may also carry emotional, cultural, or community importance.

All members of Northern Hunters UK are expected to conduct themselves accordingly. Behaviour within the venue is calm, responsible, and considered at all times. We do not enter restricted areas, handle items without permission, or act in a way that could be seen as disruptive or inappropriate.

We are fully adaptable to the needs of each site. Any specific conditions set by the venue, including limitations on access, movement, noise levels, or use of space, are agreed in advance and adhered to throughout.

Our aim is always to ensure that our presence is unobtrusive and that the venue is left exactly as it was found.

Health and Safety

Health and safety form an integral part of how we plan and carry out our activity.

Before any visit takes place, we review the practical risks associated with the environment, including layout, lighting, access, and the general condition of the building. Where required, a site-specific risk assessment can be developed or adapted to reflect the venue's individual characteristics.

Throughout the investigation, activity is supervised and managed to ensure that movement remains safe and controlled. Participants are provided with clear guidance at the outset and are expected to follow all instructions given.

This approach ensures that both the safety of those present and the integrity of the venue are maintained at all times.

Insurance and Responsibility

Northern Hunters UK understands the importance of providing reassurance around liability and responsibility when accessing private or historic venues.

We hold appropriate Public Liability Insurance relevant to our activities, and documentation can be provided upon request. We are also happy to share supporting information regarding our operational approach, risk management, and internal standards where required.

We approach every visit with a clear sense of accountability, ensuring that all activity is conducted responsibly and in line with agreed expectations.

Conduct and Safeguarding

Our work is carried out within a controlled and respectful environment, with clear expectations placed on all participants.

Investigations are typically adult-only unless otherwise agreed in advance. Where exceptions are considered, this would be discussed and managed in line with appropriate safeguarding arrangements.

All individuals involved are expected to behave responsibly, follow guidance, and contribute to a calm and well-managed environment. Any behaviour that compromises safety, respect for the venue, or the experience of others is addressed immediately.

This ensures that the integrity of both the venue and the investigation is maintained throughout.

How Activity Is Managed

Activity within the venue is structured and carefully overseen from arrival through to departure.

Access arrangements, timings, and permitted areas are agreed in advance with the venue, ensuring clarity on both sides. Upon arrival, participants are briefed on safety, expectations, and any site-specific considerations.

The investigation itself is carried out in a controlled and measured way, with periods of quiet observation and structured exploration within agreed spaces. Team members remain present throughout to guide activity and ensure that all conduct remains appropriate.

At the conclusion of the visit, the venue is checked and left in good order, with any relevant feedback or follow-up shared as appropriate.

Photography, Filming, and Media

We recognise that each venue may have its own preferences regarding photography, filming, and public exposure.

Northern Hunters UK will always respect these preferences in full. Any use of images, video, or references to the venue is agreed in advance and managed in line with any conditions set.

Where permission is given, content may be shared in a controlled and respectful way, ensuring that the venue is represented appropriately. Where restrictions apply, these are followed without exception.

Working With Us

Venues working with Northern Hunters UK can expect a professional, consistent, and respectful approach at every stage.

From initial contact through to completion, we aim to communicate clearly, operate within agreed parameters, and manage all activity responsibly. We place strong value on reliability and mutual respect, recognising that access to these spaces is a privilege.

Our intention is not only to carry out investigations, but to do so in a way that supports long-term, trusted relationships with the venues we work with.

Northern Hunters UK is committed to accessing historic and significant spaces in a way that reflects their importance, protects their integrity, and aligns fully with the expectations of those who care for them.

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