



## **Even a King Needs a Quantity Surveyor**

MDA Consulting is very proud to have provided Cost Consultancy and CDM Co-ordinator services to Leicester Cathedral for the works required to create a tomb for the re-interment of Richard III, which was a complex, sensitive and time critical project

The King, who died in battle in 1485, was discovered by archaeologists under a city car park in Leicester in September 2012 and made headline news. Richard III was the last Yorkist King of England, whose death at the age of 32 in the Battle of Bosworth effectively ended the Wars of the Roses.

Leicester Cathedral have set out plans for the reburial ceremony which commences on 22 March 2015 with a journey culminating in a service of re-interment at the Cathedral on 26 March 2015.

The plans are to lay the King to rest beneath a raised tomb inside a remodelled Leicester Cathedral. The project included creating a new sanctuary (the most holy place, signified by the main altar), and a new chapel at the east end of the Cathedral, as well as an ambulatory (a walking space) in which the tomb will be positioned.

A new main altar had to be created and relocation of large wooden chancel screens to establish the backdrop for the King's place of honour, surrounded by a quiet, elegant, contemplative space.

The project was led by Rob McGuinn, Director, based in our Leicester office who said "MDA are very proud and honoured to have supported and assisted the Cathedral on such an important project."

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