



Sir Bernard Feilden CBE (1919-2008)

It is with great regret that the Society announces the death of one of its long-serving Vice Presidents, Sir Bernard Feilden.

Bernard Feilden finished his training as an architect after WWII and worked for four years with Edward Boardman & Sons before setting up on his own. One of his first commissions was Trinity Presbyterian Church on Unthank Road which has recently been listed by English Heritage. He subsequently went into partnership with David Mawson to found

the architectural practice of Feilden & Mawson. He then made his name as architect and surveyor to the cathedrals of Norwich, York Minster and St Paul's. He was consultant architect to the University of East Anglia. He was knighted for his services to architecture in 1985.

He had been introduced to the Norwich Society by Arnold Kent's defence of Tombland and when, in 1953, R.H. Mottram took time out from for a mayoralty year, Bernard Feilden began taking a more active role. In 1955 he succeeded Mottram as Secretary of the Society and introduced young architects and active conservationists. In 1959 he reorganised the Society much along the lines it runs today with a series of committees and a wide membership.

Within the last weeks Sir Bernard gave a donation to the Society and the Trustees had decided, with his approval, to commemorate his extensive work for the Society by establishing an Architectural Design Award for a Conservation project.