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BIG BEN CLEANS UP

Iconic London Landmark Gets the IRATA treatment

The periodic cleaning of the world's most famous clock tower has begun and the work is yet again entrusted to industrial rope access and, on this occasion, the IRATA International member company, Total Access. The same company will also be involved in the work being undertaken inside the tower.

IRATA rope access offers the prized 'minimal environmental footprint' wherever it is used, be it in city centres – the London Eye, Sydney Opera House, Las Vegas Casinos or on offshore oil and gas platforms around the world, in your local High Street, the landscape that surrounds you or the office block you work in. No noise, no disruptive access requirements, no access machinery, no inconvenience to pedestrians, no pollution, no security risk, and a proven safety record unmatched in the work-at-height sector.

The four sides of the tower in Westminster will be cleaned and renovated and the residents and tourists in the area will not have to put up with weeks of unsightly temporary structures around the spectacular site, just men on ropes quickly and quietly returning it to pristine condition. It is expected the work will be complete within four days.

Roderick Dymott, CEO of IRATA International, is of the view that rope access is now very much further forward in terms of its acceptance as a means of cleaning, inspecting, renovating and repairing our cities and landscape, and can cite a wide range of locations in which IRATA companies operate. 'From the Rock of Gibraltar to city centres, from the remarkable hotels of Dubai to the great historic houses of Britain, bridges, tunnels, cliffs, power installations, harbours....in every continent and in over fifty countries, wherever access present a problem, IRATA industrial rope access is increasingly seen as the ideal work solution.'

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