



WADDESDON  
THE ROTHSCHILD COLLECTION

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Dear Tim

***Red Drawing Room Ceiling***

I am writing, rather late in the day, to thank you and your wonderful team for the work you undertook at Waddesdon in January and February. The conservators made a splendid job of the ceiling, and the room looks resplendent. The Guides and Wardens all gasped at the images of the scaffolding, and marvelled at the scale of the task, when I talked to them about it in the training days we did for them at the beginning of the season. In addition the visitors are enjoying hearing about the project, which we have included on the rolling introductory presentation in the Powerhouse.

Suffice to say that none of it would have been possible without such a professional approach from Austins. I would have no hesitation in recommending you to colleagues who may require similar help in the future.

Please pass on my best wishes to all those involved, and I hope that you will get in touch if you are ever in this neck-of-the-woods and would like to visit.

Yours sincerely

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