IBM Hursley Museum

The IBM Hursley Museum displays are in several rooms on the lower ground floor of Hursley House.

The Museum also maintains display cabinets in the Executive Briefing Centre which are updated from time to time.

Customers hosted by the Executive Briefing Centre may be shown around the museum during their visit. However due to its location within a secure IBM location, the museum is not open to the public.

Tours may be arranged with IBM Hursley on request.

If you would like to contact the museum staff to arrange a visit, find out more information or discuss donating new material please contact:
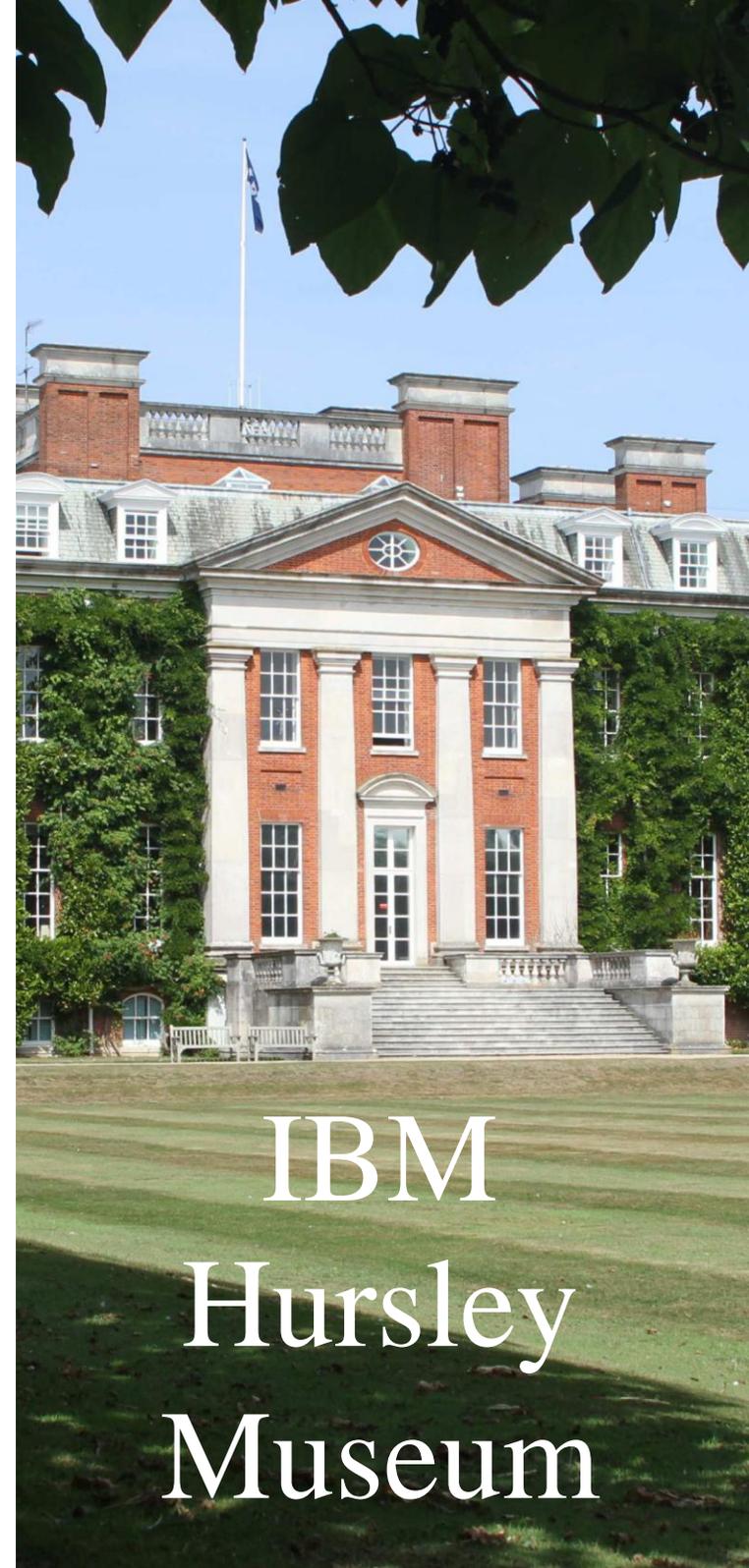
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1. History of IBM at Hursley

This collection demonstrates a range of products most of which were developed in Hursley. On display are storage devices, S/360 – S/370 mainframe components, a range of monitors and terminals, various adapter cards and a model of the first cash machine.

2. Origins of IBM – the C & R of CTR *

A selection of machines from two of the three companies that became IBM. Artefacts include clocks, time recorders, scales, plus a display of technology from mechanical counters to LSI.*

3. Origins of IBM – the T of CTR *

Punch card machines from the very first pantograph punch dated 1889 to the last card punches from IBM. Other card equipment includes collator, sorter and interpreter.
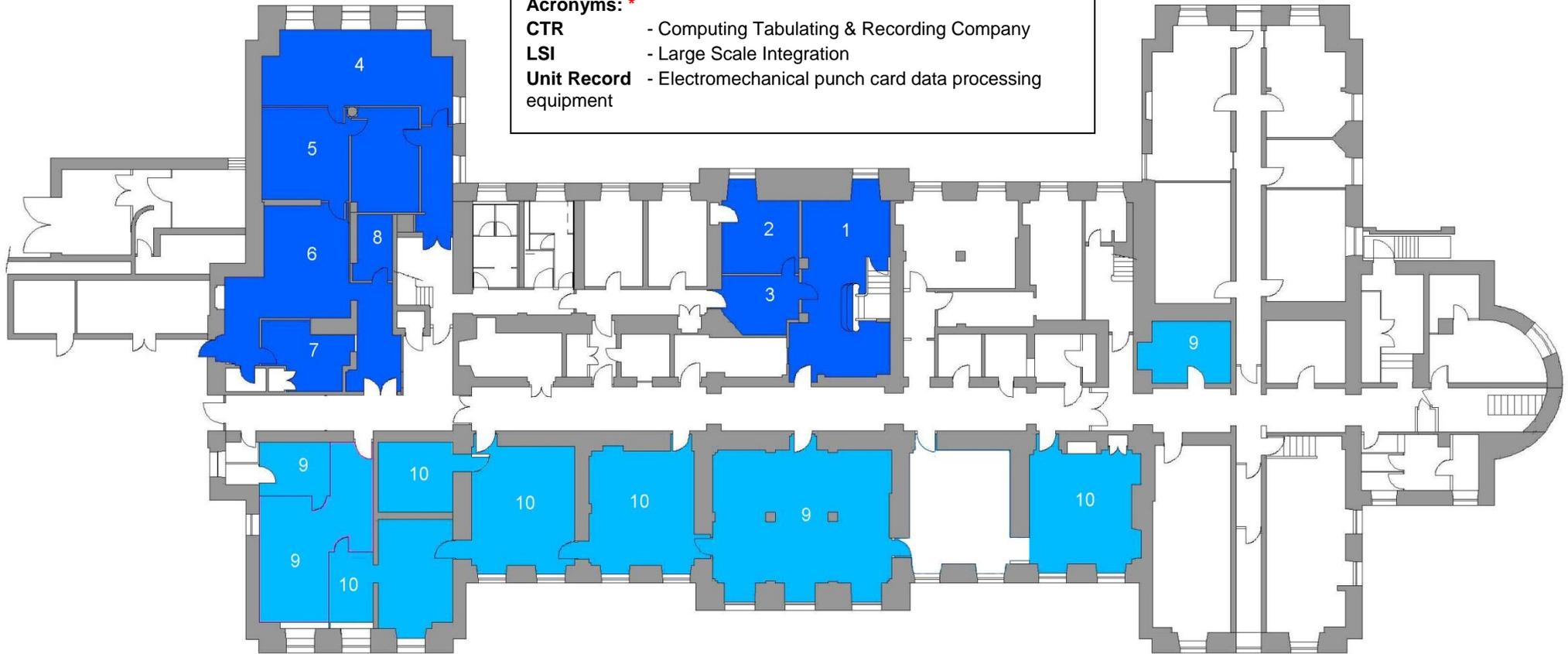
4. Home & Personal Computing

A range of personal computers (home and business - PC and PS/2), servers and portable computers from the barely movable to the smallest ThinkPad. Many of these machines are in full working order.

Acronyms: *

CTR	- Computing Tabulating & Recording Company
LSI	- Large Scale Integration
Unit Record	- Electromechanical punch card data processing equipment

5. Customer Engineering

A Customer Engineering (CE) room with work benches, test equipment, tools and documentation. A number of machines are presented without covers as if under repair. A fully working keyboardless golf ball printer can be demonstrated by museum staff.

6. Office Products, Unit Record *

A selection of typewriters, word processors, a photocopier and dictating equipment. Unit record hardware includes a tabulator, interpreter and reproducing punch
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7. Royal Army Pay Corps (RAPC)

Hardware on loan from the Army including an IBM 705 console and tape unit, a card punch and verifier and mainframe disk drive unit.

8. AS/400 Midrange Computer System

AS/400 and tape backup units

9. Reserve Collection & Workshop

A varied selection of IBM hardware, both duplicates of items on display and other unique hardware awaiting attention. There is a work area where machines are repaired and restored.

10. Other Artefacts in Storage

Part of the museum's back office, these rooms are not generally open. They contain software, paper archives, photographs, video tapes, some non-IBM hardware artefacts, posters, paintings, and other miscellaneous items.