

THE BT TOWER (AREA 5)

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Measuring 152 metres in height, it has since 1965 been the tallest structure in Birmingham. Designed by the Ministry of Public Building and Works where M.H. Bristow was the senior architect, it has 26 storeys housing technical areas and offices, and five levels of circular aerial galleries at the top.

These aspects single it out as a point-reference to establish orientation or direction from countless Birmingham locations. My photo-essay begins with a view from the top of The Library of Birmingham. Thereafter I viewed it on ground level from many angles and distances before arriving at its base in Lionel Street.

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