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Anyone wishing to display material for sale other than on behalf of an EMIAC affiliated society or supporting organisation will be expected to make a contribution to conference expenses.

EAST MIDLANDS INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY CONFERENCE

The East Midlands Industrial Archaeology Conference is open to anyone with an interest in the subject. Our first Industrial Heritage Day was held in 1970 with the idea of enabling those interested to meet in different locations and learn about the variety of the industrial heritage of the region. There is no formal organisation, the participating societies taking it in turn to organise the event.

[Derbyshire Archaeological Society](#)

[East Midlands Group of the
Railway and Canal Historical Society](#)

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DERBYSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY INDUSTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGY SECTION

The host society was founded in 1878 and remains the principal voluntary body within the County for the study of its history and archaeology, from the prehistoric period to the recent past.

DAS members receive an annual journal, a local history magazine and a newsletter, participate in a varied programme of lectures and visits, and have access to an extensive library of books and journals.



www.derbyshireas.org.uk

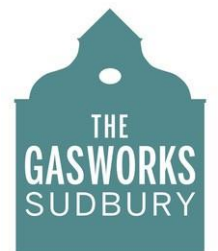
DERBYSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE DAY EMIAc 99

SUDBURY GASWORKS

rescued and restored



Saturday 17 June 2023
The Old Gasworks
School Lane
Sudbury
Derbyshire
DE6 5HZ



BACKGROUND

The Old Gasworks, in the Derbyshire village of Sudbury, opened in 1875 and was designed by George Devey, a noted architect of the time. Gas was produced from coal and piped to provide lighting for Sudbury Hall and houses in the village. The gasholder was dismantled in the 1930s and the building stood empty and deteriorated for many years.

With grants from the National Lottery Heritage Fund and other sources, the original retort house has now been restored, and a new circular meeting room constructed on the footprint of the former gasholder.

This Heritage Day is one of the first chances to see the gasworks in its new guise, learn about the development of artificial lighting and its use on country house estates, and the extensive improvements made to Sudbury Hall and the village in the 19th Century.

THE SPEAKERS

Ian West is a Chartered Engineer and freelance historical archaeologist, with a special interest in utility industries. He is an Honorary Visiting Fellow at the University of Leicester, working with Professor Marilyn Palmer, researching historic services in country houses, the results of which were published in 2016 in their ground-breaking book, *Technology in the Country House*.

Cherry Ann Knott is an architectural historian and the author of *George Vernon (1636-1702) 'Who Built this House', Sudbury Hall, Derbyshire*. Her recent research has focused on the Victorian architect, George Devey and his many interesting designs for the estate, including a substantial wing of the Hall, the Meynell Hunt stables and kennels, and of course the Gasworks

Sudbury Gasworks Restoration Trust

Ten years ago, people from the village came together to form a building preservation trust to save the gasworks. The architects and volunteers involved in the project will describe the challenges they faced to restore the building and make it into valuable community asset.

HERITAGE DAY PROGRAMME

0930-1000

Setting up bookstalls and displays

1000-1030

Registration and coffee

1030-1300

Ian West

Dazzling the Guests? Country-house owners' investment in artificial lighting.

Cherry Ann Knott

Devey at Sudbury – architecture for a developing Victorian estate

Sudbury Gasworks Restoration Trust

Saving a unique building and finding it a future role

1300-1400

Lunch and time to look at the restored building and browse bookstalls and displays from industrial archaeology societies across the East Midlands

1400-1600

Walking tour of Sudbury village to see where the gas was distributed and admire some more of George Devey's architecture.

Further details of the event and a link to book places are available online at

www.derbyshireas.org.uk/emiac

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by 1 June 2023

Robert Grasar
2 Norman Road
Ripley
Derbyshire
DE5 3GL

**Please include a cheque for £18 per person
(price includes a buffet lunch)
payable to "DAS – IA Section"**

Names:

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Society (if applicable)

Email:

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