

Califat Coal Mine, St George's Hill, Swannington Photographic Report Of LIHS Excavation - August 2020

Swannington Heritage Trust own the Califat Spinney, which is the site of the Califat Coal Mine (1855-1873). Leicestershire Industrial History Society have led the monthly excavation of the coal mine buildings near the Califat winding shaft since June 2006. Swannington Heritage Trust produce this monthly photographic report for the benefit of SHT and LIHS, so that they can share it with their members, volunteers and supporters.

Califat Engine House





The areas surrounding the engine house plinths were weeded.





Landscaping work north of the engine and boiler houses focused on removing humps and using the material to fill in the dips with the aim of producing consistent slopes and level surfaces suitable for mowing.



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The ventilation tunnel area was weeded.

Alabama Engine House





Grass was cut around the memorial stones and within the dead hedge surrounding the Alabama engine house.



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Miners Cottages





Weeding and clearance took place along the side and rear of the cottages.





The grass within the fenced area was cut.