



## Califat Coal Mine, St George's Hill, Swannington Photographic Report Of LIHS Excavation - May 2021

### Califat Engine House



The bricklayer had returned and continued the consolidation. Completing the tunnel and pointing walls remains.



The second step was added and the ground prepared for the third step.



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### Old Shaft



The area around the old shaft was landscaped, using the soil mound to level the area, especially under the fence so that young children cannot crawl underneath.



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### Miners Cottages



The black weed control fabric was removed so that the cottage area could be cleared of the winter detritus and work on the perimeter continue. The fabric was replaced at the end to control weeds.



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### Alabama Engine House



The northern end from the boiler site to the step like brick structure was cleared to a sufficient extent that visitors can at least see the brickwork.

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.