

Hitcham and Taplow Society
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Dear Hitcham and Taplow Society

Mill Lane gasworks, Taplow

Shortly, we'll start planned work to dismantle the gasholder at the former gasworks site at Mill Lane in your local area. We'd like to invite you to our community information event on **18 February at Taplow Village Hall; from 3.30 – 7pm**. Members of the project team will be available to talk about our work.

Although the gasworks used to be an important part of the local community, gas is no longer manufactured on the site and only a small section of the site is operational and delivers gas to the surrounding area. The removal of the redundant gasholder from the site will allow the site to be brought back into use. A planning application for the redevelopment of the site is likely to be submitted later this year.

Our specialist contractors, Erith, will arrive on site on **Monday, 22 February** to start work. It will take them around a week to set up their equipment. The work will take place in three stages. Once Erith has created a safe working area, they'll start to remove the rain water from the bottom of the gasholder structure that has collected over the years. At the same time, they'll demolish the small industrial building on site. Once all the water is removed, they'll cut a hole in the structure to gain access and gradually take it down in pieces. We expect the work to be complete by September 2016.

We value your role in protecting the Taplow area, and would like to involve you in our work as it progresses. We have copies of some old photographs of the gasworks from when it was operational. If you are interested in seeing these we would be more than happy to share them with you.

If you are unable to attend the community event, or would like any more information about the work, please call Helena Frisby from our Community Relations Team on 0800 073 1047. The team is available 7am-7pm Monday to Friday and 7am – 1pm on Saturdays.

Yours sincerely



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