

GAS CYLINDER INFILL, GUEST AVENUE, POOLE

Client: Erith

Date: June 2019 – November 2019

Material: 33,000t Recycled Aggregates, 2200t 6F5 Limestone

Project Detail

Suttles were awarded the contract to supply materials to a site in Guest Avenue Poole to aid with the demolition and infill of the Victorian Gas Holder Cylinders.

The holders, owned by Southern Gas Networks, were to be demolished as part of a national programme of deconstructing such holders. After various visits and meetings with contract managers from Erith, numerous materials were approved for supply and over a period of 5 months Suttles ran in over 35,000t of material. At the height of supply, running in up to 1200t per day across a 2-week period.

Although there were no future plans for the site at the time of the works, the materials supplied by Suttle Stone Quarries ensured the site is prepared for future development.

According to the Bournemouth Echo 'A scheme to build a 60-bed care home and business units on the site has been revealed as part of Poole's local plan. The site – most of which lies within 400 metres of heathland, a designated Site of Special Scientific Interest – is due to be redeveloped. Much of it will be turned into employment land.'

Background Information:

On March 27 1941, the staff canteen at the Bourne Valley Gas Works was hit by a German bomber and 33 gas workers were killed in the tragedy. It is believed the bombers were targeting the railway viaducts. Bronze plaques bearing the casualty's names are installed inside St Aldhelm's Church in Branksome.



