

BIG PIT MINING MUSEUM BLAENAFON

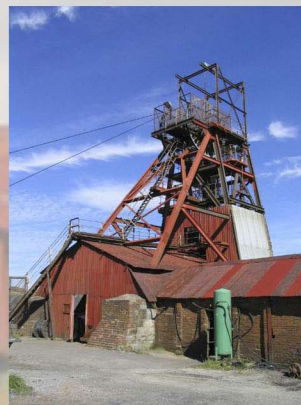
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In 2000 TACP were commissioned as Conservation Architects for the £3.8 Million restoration and refurbishment of the grade 1 listed Big Pit Mining Museum in Blaenafon. Blaenafon has achieved world heritage status and is a UNESCO Heritage Site. Big Pit won the prestigious Gulbenkian museum Award in 2005 as Museum Of The Year.

Implementation work on the museum began in February 2002 and the commission has involved detailed conservation and repair of the existing fabric of eighteen buildings with the integration of four new buildings into the museum complex.

The project has involved the forging of close working relationships within the project team: the client – National Museums & Galleries of Wales, project managers, cost consultants,, planning supervisors, three architectural practices, mechanical and electrical consultants, structural engineers and interpretation designers.

A new operation / Resource Building and Conservation Store / Workshop have been built to facilitate the management of the pit and its artefacts. Both are designed to reflect the contemporary idiom as distinct from the historic past. The new workshop will improve the museums conservation and archiving facilities, providing visitors with the chance to see conservation work in progress.



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KEY DETAILS

CLIENT: National Museums & Galleries of Wales

Location: Blaenafon, South Wales

Sector: Public

Construction Value: £3.8 million

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