



AIA Practical Day

Speaking Up for Industrial Archaeology

23rd April 2016

Ironbridge Gorge Museum Library, Coalbrookdale, Shropshire

The first AIA Practical Day of 2016 is based at the GF Williams Room on the 1st floor of the Long Warehouse, our traditional meeting place for many years of Ironbridge Weekends.

In the current economic climate of heritage funding cuts and cuts to local authority archaeology and conservation services, historic industrial sites, buildings and collections are arguably more at risk than they have been since the 1970s. At the same time there is an increasing focus on local decision-making through local plans and new community powers. The AIA is therefore holding a one day workshop at the Ironbridge Institute on April 23rd 2016 on speaking up for industrial archaeology at a local scale.

This workshop will explore why it is more important now than ever that local groups speak up for industrial archaeology, and discuss what can groups and societies practically do to help support and protect industrial archaeology in their local areas.

The workshops will include contributions from national organisations that support local advocacy, including the Council for British Archaeology (CBA), Civic Voice and the Industrial Heritage Support Programme, as well as a number of local case studies from voluntary groups who are working to protect a range of different industrial sites, including archaeological sites, industrial buildings and museums. There will be practical sessions in the afternoon, and a feedback and discussion session to look at issues such as the challenges of speaking up for industrial archaeology and what support currently exists for groups who want to help to protect and raise awareness of industrial archaeology in their local area.

A Booking Form is overleaf or you can book online using Eventbrite. Search for 'speaking up for industrial archaeology' at www.eventbrite.co.uk

Parking

There is ample parking outside the Museum of Iron in Coalbrookdale, for which there is a £2 all day charge.

Accommodation in the Ironbridge Gorge

A variety of accommodation is available ranging from B & B to Hotels. Contact the Tourist Information Centre, Ironbridge, Tel: 01952 433424, or go to <http://www.visitironbridge.co.uk/accommodation>.

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Booking Form

All day delegate rate £18 includes sessions and lunch.

Affiliated Society member rate £15 includes sessions and lunch.

Student rate £15 includes sessions and lunch.

Number of delegate places @ £18 ____ Name/s:

Number of Affiliates Society member places.@ £15 ____ Name/s:

Number of Student places @ £15 ____ Name/s:

Total £

I enclose a cheque for the sum of £..... payable to the 'Association for Industrial Archaeology'

Contact Name (please print)	
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Please return your completed booking form and payment by 4th April 2016 to:

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