



AIA Research Grant Award

1. Background

The AIA exists to promote the study, preservation and presentation of Britain's industrial archaeology and heritage. The research grant scheme underpins the study aim of the Association. It does that by:

- encouraging individual researchers to study industrial archaeology subjects;
- encouraging the development of industrial archaeology skills within commercial units, the main repository of professional skills in the subject;
- supporting local industrial archaeology and industrial heritage societies in exploring and understanding their local areas;
- helping to develop the next generation of industrial archaeologists.

2. Funding and Application Process

The total fund available in any single year is £1,500 and multiple grants may be given up to this maximum in a single year. The AIA may consider part-funding a wider grant application or project as long as the AIA grant is a significant part of the bigger application / project. Proposals should be submitted on this application form, which is available from the Association's website at <https://industrial-archaeology.org/aia-awards/research-grants/> with a deadline of the **31st January**. Successful applicants will be notified by the 31st March.

3. Applicant Requirements

- Anyone working in industrial archaeology in the UK – volunteer, student, academic or professional.
- Societies or organisations can apply but need to nominate an individual as the lead.
- The kind of work supported includes excavation, field survey, and documentary analysis but does NOT include conference attendance (we have separate funds for such support).
- The grant must form a significant part of the overall research funding being sought or must support a distinct and discrete element of a wider research project.
- The researcher must acknowledge the role of the AIA in supporting their work in any publicity.

4. Successful Applicant Process

- The research work should be completed by the successful applicant within 12 months of the approval of the grant by the AIA.
- Research grant payments will be staged with half the amount passed on to the successful applicant on approval, and the rest on presentation of the report (see below). The grant includes one year's free membership of the Association.
- The successful applicant must submit on completion of the research a summary (of up to 200 words) and a detailed final report about their project. The summary will be included on the AIA website and in *Industrial Archaeology News*. Publication of an article based upon the final report may be considered for our journal, *Industrial Archaeology Review*.



Association for Industrial Archaeology

RESEARCH GRANT AWARD APPLICATION FORM

Please send to the Research Grant Coordinator by email to:

research-grants@industrial-archaeology.org

Name	
Address*	
Daytime phone no	Evening phone no
Email	
* If you are a student, please use your term-time address above, and include your home address, contact phone number and email here	
Brief description of the project (up to 200 words)	
Envisaged timescale of project	
Why is this project important?	

Expenses up to £1,500 for which the grant is sought (continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

Description

Cost

Details of other grants applied for this project (if applicable)

Name, address and email of two referees

Referee 1

Referee 2

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that references are supplied directly to the AIA Research Grant Coordinator by their chosen referees once receipt of the application is approved.

Signature of applicant

Date

Please send to the Research Grant Coordinator by email to:

research-grants@industrial-archaeology.org

If you prefer, a hard copy can be sent by post to:

David de Haan, Hon Secretary, Association for Industrial Archaeology, 7 St Michael's Close, Madeley, Telford, Shropshire TF7 5SD