

CASE STUDY • FORMER DS SMITH PAPERMILL, WATCHET, SOMERSET - 2018

PROJECT: Demolition of former DS Smith

Papermill

LOCATION: Watchet, Somerset

CLIENT: Huntley Wood Investments

CONTRACT DURATION: 12 Months



DS Smith, Watchet, Somerset closed in December 2015 after 265 years. Following over 12 months of discussion, due diligence and negotiation, Huntley Wood Investments purchased the papermill site.

The mill is a complex and vast site with many different types of buildings and structures on a site covering over 42 acres. The site is located close to the railway line and next to the stunning Somerset coastline and adjacent to the town of Watchet.

The buildings on site consist of steel frame and brick buildings that have been built on the site over the last 265 years, water streams running underneath the site. The works also include the removal of various tanks located around the site.

Following in-depth surveys of the site by our in-house health and safety team and engineers, we are now carrying out the task of demolishing the buildings and other structures on site, under stringent health and safety procedures (maintaining our excellent health and safety record). Once all demolitions and site clearance works are completed the site will be delivered to the client in readiness for development of housing, commercial and industrial premises.

Works are currently ongoing on site.

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