



WATER TOWER DEMOLITION, HELLINGLY HOSPITAL.

Sitting on top of a hill overlooking the East Sussex Countryside sat the battered remains of Hellingly hospital, Formerly Hellingly Asylum.

Hellingly was designed by architect GT Hine and built to a late Victorian design during a period of massive expansion for mental health facilities in Britain. Hellingly first opened its doors to patients in 1903 and continued to serve the local community for almost the next 90 years. In more recent times the Hospital had suffered years of neglect and arson has destroyed several buildings.

Leading demolition company Cuddy Group were tasked with demolishing the old hospital buildings including the 30m high brick water tower that dominated the local landscape.

Although the tower was located close to the remaining live hospital Cuddy group determined that explosive demolition would be the safest most cost effective method to bring down the iconic structure.

The Group Employed the services of IndEx (Independent Explosives engineers) and SES (Specialist Explosives Services) to work with them on the prestigious project

The teams meticulous planning and attention to detail ensured that on 7th December 2010 in front of former staff, local residents and school children, the strategically placed 25kg of explosives toppled the tower forward safely into open ground without any disruption to the nearby new hospital buildings

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