

Betteshanger Colliery Regeneration

Location
UK

Client
South East England Development Agency

Budget
Confidential

Period
2002 - 2004

Services
Management of EIA
Landscape and Visual Assessment
Ecological Assessment
Coordination of Specialist Hydrology
Noise and Soil Assessments

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After many years of dereliction, the regeneration of the former Betteshanger Colliery in Kent has transformed the area into a new, high quality business park, community park and cycling centre with widespread landscape, environmental and ecological improvements. The 120ha Betteshanger colliery contained high-density industrial brownfield land contaminated by more than 60 years of coal mining and landfill use. Though previously cleared, traces of the old works still remained including building foundations, buried mine-working equipment and exhausted mineshafts. CBA was commissioned by SEEDA to lead the Environmental Impact Assessment process to inform the scheme design and planning application. Geotechnical, ecological and hydrological issues were key to the design process due to the sensitivity of the surrounding marshlands and Site of Special Scientific Interest.



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