

# CONFERENCE:

## Mining the Future

### Innovation in Heat and Energy Storage

#### TRANSFORMING HEATING IN THE UK:

- **Geothermal Heat from Mines**
- **Heat Storage in Mine Shafts and Mine Workings**
- **'Waste Heat' Storage and Recovery**
- **District Heat Networks**

#### WHEN:

**24 April 2018**

**09:30 am Registration**

**10:00 am Start**

**16:00 pm Close**

#### WHERE:

**Advanced Manufacturing Park**

**Technology Centre**

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**Rotherham**

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#### REGISTRATION:

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#### SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

**BEIS**

**The Coal Authority**

**Nordic Heat**

**Durham University**

**Sheffield Hallam University**

**Nottingham Trent University**

**Bridgend County Borough  
Council**

**Kensa Heat Pumps**

**Nottingham City Council**

#### COST:

**Free via Invitation**

#### AUDIENCE:

**Political Leaders**

**Policy Advisers**

**Engineers**

**Project Managers**

**Investors**

**Low Carbon Experts**

**Heat Networks**

**Energy Storage**

**Heat Recovery**

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### Transforming heating in the UK

In the UK there are:

- **170,000** former mines
- **134,000** mine shafts
- **7 million homes** above worked coal.

Close to surface mine water is typically between **11°C and 21°C** and at 1,000 metres is between **35°C and 40°C**. This carbon free energy source could provide the UK with upwards of **1,500MW** of geothermal heat from shallow workings alone.

Highly efficient heat pumps can increase the temperature of mine water to provide hot water at between **55°C and 85°C**. This low carbon, plentiful supply of heat is ideal for district heating schemes, commercial heating and horticultural greenhouses.

Mine workings and mine shafts used as thermal stores also enable:

- Capturing 'waste' heat from industrial processes (e.g. steel making) for use in district heating schemes
- Harnessing solar heat generation in summer for use in the winter
- Balancing variations in energy supply to smooth peaks in winter energy demands

### Transforming Communities

This **heat energy revolution** would bring significant environmental and economic value back to many of the proud communities founded on coal. It would also help to improve **energy security**, tackle **fuel poverty**, improve **industrial competitiveness** and lower **carbon emissions**.

### Vision for the Northern Powerhouse

A **distinctive competitive advantage for the north** is to harness heat created by existing industrial processes via storage in former mine workings and distribution by city-wide heat networks.

### Case Study

There is potential to store and supply **90GWh** of heat energy in the shallow mine workings below Sheffield and Rotherham.