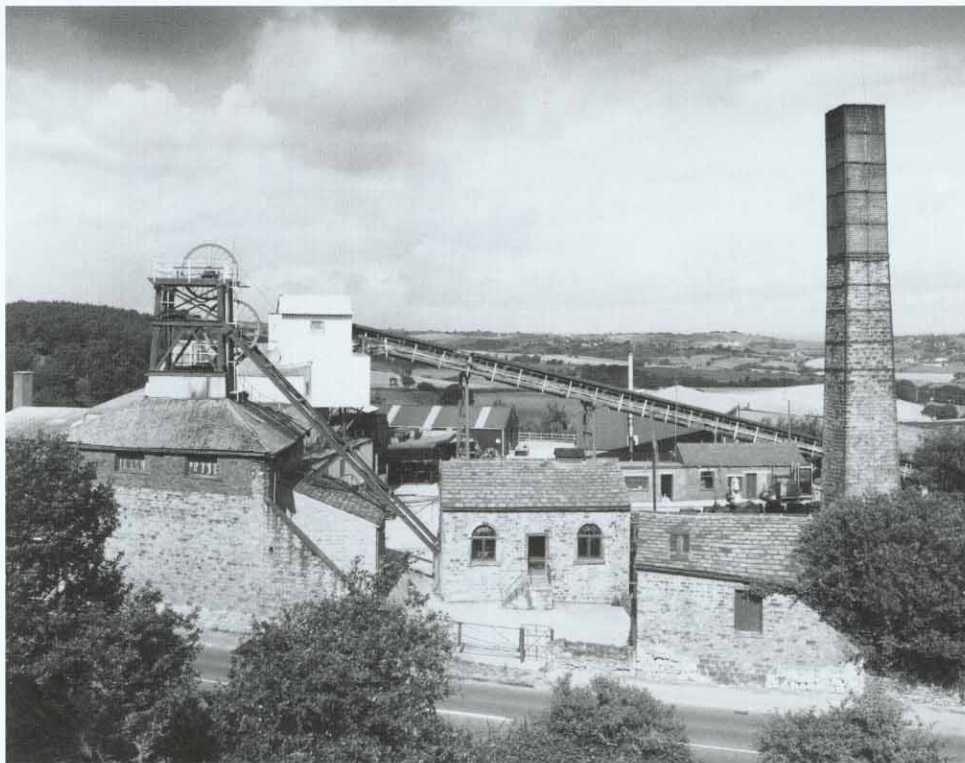


## Architectural survey for others

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- 1 Caphouse Colliery, Wakefield, West Yorkshire.
- 2 The Shri Swaminaryan Mandir, Neasden, London.
- 3 Knightsbridge, at the close of the last century (original negative damaged).
- 4 The main gates to South Lodge, Knightsbridge, of c.1893.



As part of the planning process the Commission has a statutory opportunity to record buildings of national importance that are at risk from alteration or demolition, in response to notifications from the relevant local authorities. Where there is a more general risk, we also record buildings in certain areas or of a certain type. To provide a basis for decisions by English Heritage, we undertook surveys this year of textile mills in north-west Derbyshire, the Derwent valley and south-west England; of Deptford High Street (London); and of historic warehouses in Liverpool. We continued surveys of town houses in Bristol and packing warehouses in Manchester. We also surveyed or assessed historic buildings for commercial clients.



### Specific achievements

- Following notification of applications to alter or demolish listed buildings, 374 buildings were recorded and a photographic record made of a further 584.
- A detailed architectural and historical analysis was prepared for Caphouse Colliery, near Wakefield, West Yorkshire, as a contribution to development plans for the site. This outstanding monument of the English coal mining industry is now the National Coal Mining Museum for England.
- Extensive photographic coverage of the lavishly decorated Hindu temple, Shri Swaminaryan Mandir, Neasden, London, which was carved mainly in India and completed in 1994, created a record of a modern building of major importance in our multicultural society.
- South Crofty, Cornwall, the last tin mine in Europe, closed in 1998. Before closure, we produced a photographic record showing how the mine functioned, both above and below ground.

### Looking forward

- In our statutory role we will record the most significant listed buildings threatened with alteration or demolition.
- Thematic surveys are planned for textile mills in north-east Lancashire, the East Midlands boot and shoe industry, the Birmingham jewellery quarter and places of worship in Bradford.
- Commercial contracts will include a major survey of the defences on the Western Heights at Dover.



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