

SITE DESCRIPTION

Located within the town of St. Helier at the eastern end of "Millennium Park" is a site known as the "Jersey Gas Site". Once the forefront of industrial activity within Jersey, it is now a redundant site housing a cylindrical gas holder located at the eastern end of the site among other subservient gas site structures.

The site is 8563sqm in area and is generally flat throughout with a fall of 600mm from east to west. The site is accessible from the north and south at street level and is within five minute walking distance of the town centre amenities. Currently the site is enclosed by a granite / render boundary wall with a pavement beyond.

During the last 40 years the surrounding area has been stripped of its industrial uses, including the need for a gas holder in this location. Jersey Gas moved their operation in 2012 to "La Colette" leaving behind the last remains of the Industrial Era. The surrounding area has been regenerated into mainly residential with a small cluster of mixed use commercial along with a public park. The existing gas holder site is located between Tunnell Street on the south side of the site and L'Avenue et Dolmen du Pres des Lumieres to the north side, and Millennium Park to the west and St Saviours Road on the east side within the town of St. Helier.

Other structures on site include a row of modern terraced houses along Tunnel Street and four 1930's semi-detached houses on the east side along St. Saviours Road. The rest of the buildings within the site once owned by the "Jersey Gas Company" including the Gas Holder are a Jersey Gas head office and retail centre which has now been sold back to the States of Jersey.

The character of the immediate area has been dominated for a long time by the towering presence of the gas holder structure and its surrounding residential and commercial context. The grain of urban blocks around this area is diverse with no recognisable hierarchy despite small a number of distinctive buildings, in particular 19th century houses along St. Saviours Road. In general, the architectural character is eclectic with a range of period buildings and contemporary / traditional dwellings mixed in with commercial premises.

The surrounding area has become largely residential over the last 40 years but there is a variety of other uses present including a public park, supermarket, commercial outlets, veterinary, skate park, and a closed down cinema.

For Further detailed analysis please refer to SWOT Analysis



1. View across park of Gas Holder

