

News Release

Deadline looming for the Norwich Skyline Photography Competition – enter by 7 June

- Norwich Skyline Photography Competition launched to celebrate and commemorate the skyline and the Gas Hill gasholders within it before they're dismantled this summer
- Competition closes at midnight on 7 June
- There will be three winners, including a £250 top prize

Calling all Norwich admirers – snap your favourite shot of the Norwich Skyline and enter our competition by midnight on Thursday 7 June to be in with a chance of winning up to £250 worth of photographic equipment.

Whether it's a shot from Gas Hill, Mousehold Heath or from a little-known corner of the city, we want to see your favourite views of the skyline and capture what's special about it.

National Grid is running the competition to celebrate the city's distinctive and dynamic skyline, and the contribution the gasholders at Gas Hill have made before they're dismantled.

Bethan Short from National Grid said: "Norwich truly is a fine city and we're calling on people to get involved and help us document the city's skyline and the gasholders before they come down. With so many beautiful viewpoints across the city it's going to be tough choosing winners, but make sure you submit before the 7 June deadline. We can't wait to see all your entries!"

Joining Bethan Short on the judging panel is colleague Matthew Worman, history and heritage expert's Paul Burall from the Norwich Society and Harry Yates from the Fakenham Museum of Gas and Local History. Winners will be announced at an event at St Matthews' Church on Telegraph Lane West on 20 June and the best submissions will be displayed in a special 'gallery' set up for the occasion.

There will be three winners, all taking home a £150 voucher to London Camera Exchange (at Castle Mall) – for the 'Norwich skyline' and 'Gasholders in the skyline' categories and a 'young persons'. An 'overall winner' will be selected from the three



and will be awarded an additional £100. Visit www.norwichskylinephoto.com for more details on how to enter.

The competition is being run ahead of scheduled work to dismantle the redundant gasholders at Gas Hill, which have not been used to store gas since 2009. They are being taken down so that the land can be put back into beneficial use in the future. As well as marking the photography competition prize-giving, the 20 June event will be an opportunity to find out more about how National Grid will be dismantling the gasholders and how it will be commemorating their heritage.

National Grid will continue to keep neighbours and stakeholders informed throughout the gasholder dismantling programme. Work is scheduled to start early July and continue through to the end of the year.

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Images: x2 entries – 'The Norwich Skyline entry' and 'Gasholder in the skyline' entry.

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Notes to Editors:

The Norwich Skyline Photography Competition is open to all amateur photographers and aims to celebrate and share photographs of the city and views across it.

The competition has two categories:

- 1. The Norwich Skyline (a photograph taken from any angle and taken from anywhere).
- 2. Gasholders in the Skyline (a composition which includes, in any form, the gasholders on Gas Hill).

Entries should be submitted by midnight on 7 June and the winners will be announced at an event on 20 June.

Information about the competition and how to enter is all available at the competition website at www.norwichskylinephoto.com

The prizes on offer are for vouchers for photographic equipment from London Camera Exchange (in Castle Mall) and will be awarded as follows:

- 1. Best photograph in the Norwich skyline category (£150 voucher for photographic equipment)
- 2. Best photograph in the Gasholders in the skyline category (£150 voucher for photographic equipment)



3. Best Young photographer, for anyone aged 17 or under on 20 June 2018 (£150 voucher for photographic equipment)

The judges will then choose a 'best overall' photograph from these three and the overall Norwich Skyline Photography Competition winner will receive an additional £100 voucher meaning they take home a total prize of £250 worth of photographic equipment. The competition winners will be announced at an event at St Matthews Church (just up Gas Hill from the gasholders) on Wednesday 20 June.

Full information and Terms & Conditions for the competition are available on www.norwichskylinephoto.com

The gasholders at Gas Hill are scheduled to be dismantled during the summer and autumn (a specialist contractor team will move onto the site in July).

Manufacturing of gas at the Gas Hill gasworks ceased in circa 1956. Storage of gas at the site continued until 2009.

In addition to this Norwich Skyline Photography Competition, National Grid is carrying out comprehensive heritage photography and a detailed photographic record of the gasholders so that this can be archived and the heritage of the gasholders commemorated.

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