

Winners of the Norwich Skyline Photography Competition announced at event on 20 June

- **The winners of the Norwich Skyline Photography Competition will be announced at an event at St Matthews' Church on Wednesday 20 June (1pm-8pm)**
- **The winning photos and a selection of other entries will be exhibited in a special display**
- **The event also gives local residents an opportunity to find out more about the work National Grid is doing to dismantle the gasholders on Gas Hill and to commemorate their heritage**

The winners of the Norwich Skyline Photography Competition will be announced at an event at St Matthews' Church on Wednesday 20 June and will be exhibited in a gallery alongside a selection of the best entries.

As well as marking the photography competition prize-giving, the event will be an opportunity to find out more about how National Grid will be dismantling the gasholders at Gas Hill and commemorating their heritage.

National Grid launched the competition last month to celebrate the city's distinctive and dynamic skyline, and the contribution the Gas Hill gasholders have made to it before they're dismantled this summer.

A winning photo has been chosen in each of the three categories – the 'Norwich skyline', 'Gasholders in the skyline' and 'Young Photographer' categories. A £150 voucher to London Camera Exchange (at Castle Mall) will be awarded to each winner and the best overall photo will be awarded an additional £100.

Matthew Worman from National Grid, who was on the judging panel, said: "We were overwhelmed by the response from the public and received a great range of eye-catching photographs of Norwich – from the gasholders at dusk to picturesque shots of the skyline on a sunny day. It was extremely difficult selecting winners but after much deliberation we decided on three fantastic photographs.

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“We’d encourage all Norwich residents to come to St Matthews’ on Wednesday to view the work of some of the city’s best amateur photographers and to find out more about how we’re dismantling the gasholders and commemorating their heritage.”

Matthew Worman was joined on the judging panel by his National Grid colleague Bethan Short and history and heritage expert’s Paul Burall from the Norwich Society and Harry Yates from the Fakenham Museum of Gas and Local History.

National Grid is holding the information drop-in event to provide an opportunity for local residents to meet the team and learn more about the gasholder dismantling at Gas Hill. 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.

The information drop-in event and photography exhibition will take place at St Matthew’s Church, Telegraph Lane west, Norwich, NR1 4JL from 1pm to 8pm on Wednesday 20 June.

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Notes to Editors:

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

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)

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.

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The competition winners will be announced at an event at St Matthew's Church (Telegraph Lane west, Norwich, NR1 4JL) from 1pm to 8pm 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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