

EDUCATION CENTRE

MILL & BARN, HESTERCOMBE GARDENS, TAUNTON, SOMERSET



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The repair of a late 18c water mill and 19c barn at Hestercombe Gardens, and their conversion into an education centre. Old equipment has been refitted in the mill, together with an exhibition of early energy production. The barn has become a multi function education space.

The intention was to demonstrate how old buildings can be converted sensitively, and

incorporate low energy modifications. The roofs, walls and floors have been super insulated, and the complex is heated with a log batch burning boiler.

Client: Hestercombe Gardens Trust
 Contractor: W Coombes & Sons
 Date: 2010
 Value: £ 730,000

- 1 Mil & barn seen from the formal garden
- 2 Mill seen from the combe
- 3 Barn north gable
- 4 Mill equipment
- 5 Multi function barn
- 6 Lutyens gable retained
- 7 Barn south gable
- 8 New steps
- 9 Repaired turbine
- 10 Repaired mill wheel