

Wapping Hydraulic Pumping Station

Where: Wapping Wall, E1. UK Real Estate. What: 3,932 sqm commercial floorspace.

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Architect: Latitude Architects

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The Wapping Hydraulic Pumping Station was built in 1893 by the London Hydraulic Power Company, whose purpose was to install a hydraulic power network of high-pressure cast iron water mains under London. It was the showcase building of the London Hydraulic Power Company and was used as a model for other pumping stations around the world. However, after the Second World War, as electricity became cheaper and electronically powered equipment increasingly sophisticated, the demand for hydraulic power fell and when it finally closed in 1977, the Wapping Hydraulic Pumping Station was the last of its kind.

CMA Planning secured planning permission and listed building consent from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets (LBTH) in October 2020 for the restoration, conversion and extension of the Grade II* listed Wapping Hydraulic Pumping Station, for UK Real Estate.

The Latitude Architects designed scheme includes the introduction of new floors within the listed building, together with the creation of a glazed extension within the roof level water tanks, the conversion of the below-ground reservoir and the erection of a new three storey office block within the courtyard, which together will deliver 2,509sqm of office space and 1,223sqm of flexible restaurant/office space.



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