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## Featured articles and news

### Royal Ordnance Factories



The production of munitions demanded facilities close to large populations, but out of reach of bombers.

### Building regulations

How long it takes to get approval and how long it lasts.



### Taxation

Cutting VAT could unleash a green housing revolution.



### Constructive learning

The story of Meccano.

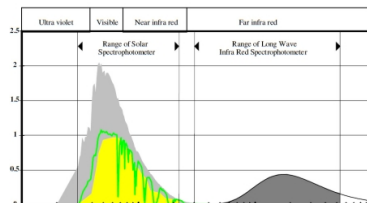


### Kensington Palace

A complicated building lacking a unifying discipline. Book review.



## Thermal radiation



Long wave vs short wave radiation and how this causes the greenhouse effect.

## Around the web

### Construction Manager, Jan 6

CIOB launches an anti-anxiety service.

### Dezeen, Jan 6

A battery made with materials extracted from seawater.

### Gov.uk, Jan 4

An overhaul of tenancy agreements to end the ban on pets.

### IHBC, Jan 3

Lewisham Council probes the illegal demolition of a pub.

### ICE, Jan 3

Cooling Prize seeks entries from young geotechnical professionals.

### Construction Enquirer, Jan 3

Manufacturer tests cladding panels to prove they are safe.

### Dezeen, Jan 2

Studio creates 'designer' solar panels.

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