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# Designing Buildings Wiki

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## Featured articles and news

### Conservation Wiki launched in partnership with IHBC



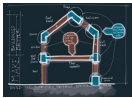
In a bold move to put conservation at the forefront of digital collaboration, the Institute of Historic Building Conservation has today launched Conservation Wiki.

Conservation Wiki is a specially-designed, self-contained site within Designing Buildings Wiki, covering subjects ranging from adapting semi-detached dwellings to reduce summer overheating, to VAT Policy for historic buildings.

### Make Buildings Better - competition winner

Designing Buildings Wiki and BSRIA asked you for ideas to improve the performance of buildings in use.

The winning idea came from Tom Hughes, Director of architectural practice 2hD, who proposed the prefabrication of complex junctions rather than simple components.



### Shale gas

An informative guide to the controversial issue of shale gas by the Institution of Civil Engineers.



### Unusual building of the week

This giant stone-carved pineapple has been dubbed the most bizarre building in Scotland.



### BREEAM Retail in-use prize

BREEAM's Retail in-use prize has been awarded to the mixed-use Kanyon Centre in Istanbul.



### Infrastructure transformation

ICE has launched a new programme in response to the unprecedented challenges facing infrastructure delivery.



### British Airways i360

The observation pod on the world's slenderest and tallest observation tower reaches maximum height for the first time.



### Building of the week - The EU buildings



As the UK considers the outcome of the referendum, take a look at the buildings of the European Union that we will be leaving.

## Around the web

### CTBUH, 23 June

The winners of the CTBUH 2016 Tall Building Awards.

### RIBA, 23 June

RIBA announce 2016 Regional Architecture Awards.

### UCATT, 23 June

Unions UCATT, Unite and GMB secure an improved 2-year pay deal for construction workers.

### Dezeen, 22 June

Tate Modern release a time-lapse video of the Switch House extension.

### ArchDaily, 22 June

Drone video footage from inside a neo-Byzantine church.

### Construction Manager, 21 June

Fresh bid-rigging warning for public sector clients.

### CIOB, 20 June

CIOB supports BuildForce, an initiative to strengthen recruitment pathways from the armed forces into construction.

### UN, 20 June

UN-Habitat reveal details of 'Science of Cities' tool to measure the impact of cities on people.

### RSHP, 17 June

Work starts on the new International Spy Museum in Washington D.C.

### Uandl, 16 June

Planning permission awarded for 660 new houses at Victoria Way, Ashford.

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