

Monthly dig report for Leicestershire Industrial History Society and Swannington Heritage Trust. Present - 12 diggers.

### Engine House Area



Work continued on removing the clay to the south of the engine and boiler houses. The jerry built “bbq” goes deep into the ground and there is lots of water present.



The area in front of the tunnel was cleared.



In the pit alongside the engine house the drain was uncovered as more material was removed via the dumper.

### Pipes east of Boiler House



Work continued on the pipe area to the side of the boiler house. Digging in a confined area is difficult and slow, but more pipework was exposed.



### Miners' Cottages



The work on the miners' cottage was focused on the front to the right of the porch. Particular progress was made on the front right corner.



This will fully expose the front wall and create a flat, safe area to access the cottages.



The work uncovered a lot of bricks that were added to the pile. The soil was tipped in the nearby woodland, then carefully raked to remove bits of brick larger than a golf ball.



Some large pieces of pottery were found, these seem to fit together and may have been a garden pot.

A length of water pipe with a tap on the end was uncovered in front of the cottages.

