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# 'Wixams – 20 Years in the Making'

## Talk by

## Ian Hardwick – L&Q Estates

### Wednesday 2 March 2022

### at the ARA SOCIAL CLUB, Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7PF

Joint meeting with the CIHT

### 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. Light refreshments available from 6.00pm.



Ian Hardwick is Managing Director at L&Q Estates. His involvement in the Wixams project started in 2000. Since that time, Ian has seen the Wixams evolve from a concept to what is now an established new settlement of some 1,600 new houses and over 3,000,000 sq ft of Employment. When complete the development will provide over 4,500 much needed new homes.

The Wixams is predominantly built on the site of the former Royal Ordnance Filling Factory 16, which was acquired by the War Office in 1939, continued munitions production until 1945 and subsequently operated for many years as Elstow Storage Depot.

#### Please note that COVID-19 protocols will be followed as advised to members by email.

#### The club is situated at the end of Manton Lane, Bedford, MK41 7PF – see top of map.

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#### **Roger Chantrelle - Meetings Secretary**



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The meeting will be held at the normal venue, the Aircraft Research Association Social Club, with refreshments at **6.00pm and the talk commencing promptly at 6.30pm**.

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