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The iconic structure serves to many as a monument to Teesside's industrial heritage. Built between 1953-56, the tower was first used to store coal for the coke process in a pre-nationalisation steel industry for which the area is best known for, this imposing, concrete coal bunker, emblazoned with the company name 'Dorman Long' is intrinsically linked with the area's world renowned industrial heritage and representative of Teesside's local identity like no other.

Famously, The Dorman Long Tower was the centrepiece of a landscape that directly inspired artists, writers and film makers including film director Ridley Scott with Blade Runner c.1982

One of the finest examples of brutalist architecture in the north east, the structure designed by Simon Carves Otto is revered by architects across the world.

'The 10 best brutalist buildings' - Design Curial
<http://www.designcurial.com/news/the-10-best-brutalist-buildings-4343066/>

Works have already commenced on weakening the structure in preparation for demolition despite the date stated on the application for commencing works as being 15th September 2021.

Uploaded April 11th - before works commenced
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Gq5Tbk8Nlo>

Uploaded September 5th - partial demolition shown to be in progress
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9M3FfIEOj4s>

Uploaded September 6th - partial demolition shown to be in progress
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ihcmb4fzZI>

There has been no proper public consultation period, there has been very limited transparency if any and no attempt to look at options to preserve the Tower or allow the public any time to have their opinions and thoughts listened to.



