

Slinden Services Ltd

Cast Iron Welding & Metal Stitching Repairs

Squirrel Bench



A cast iron Squirrel Bench - once a recognised symbol of the Furness Railway - was brought into our Derbyshire workshop for welding repairs and modifications.



The Furness Railway Company was an independent railway operating between 1846 and 1923. Originally conceived as a mineral railway, it later played a major role in the development of the town of Barrow in Furness, and also the development of the Lake District tourist industry. These benches would be seen on the platforms of stations along this line.



The bench in question was shot blasted before welding repairs were undertaken using our approved fusion welding procedures for cast iron. The welds were ground to the correct profile matching the original shape, and modifications were made to the original cast iron

bar to accept modern fittings. All components were then given a coating of red oxide primer, prior to customer collection. As he had chosen to paint the bench himself, he sent a photograph of the completed bench – looking quite magnificent!

For any Architectural Restorations, please call us for a survey/quotation.



- On Site Inspection/Quotation
- Lloyds Welding Procedures
- Full Crack Detection
- Full Shot Blasting
- Recasting if needed
- Painting as Required
- 2 Year Guarantee

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