

**HIMLEY HALL, DUDLEY**  
**HARGREAVES FOUNDRY**



Himley Hall in Dudley, west Midlands is a commanding 18th century building set amongst 180 acres of Capability Brown landscaped parkland and was once the family home to the Earls of Dudley and host to royalty and high society. Today it is a glamorous setting for civil wedding ceremonies and receptions and other special occasions as well as prestigious conference facilities and guided tours.

The lead rainwater pipes and hoppers were weathered beyond repair and required replacing, and cast iron was the material of choice. Hargreaves Foundry visited the site several times to understand the requirements and measure up in order to carry out an accurate take off.

Due to the condition of the existing lead fittings, they were not suitable to be cast from directly, so the Hargreaves technical team took measurements and produced technical drawings to be handed over to their pattern shop.

Hargreaves also produced drawings of bespoke hoppers and "D" emblems for the barrels of square and rectangular rainwater pipes.

Once the drawings were finished and patterns manufactured, the castings were produced in Hargreaves foundry in Halifax and painted to the customer's preferred RAL colour before being carefully packed and shipped to site for installation



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