

Note on Authors

Professor Roland Paxton MBE FRSE is a Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers. He joined the Institution's Panel for Historical Engineering Works in 1975, was chairman from 1990–2003 and is now vice-chairman. Since leaving local government as a senior principal engineer with Lothian Regional Council in 1990 he has engaged in teaching and research at Heriot-Watt University as an honorary Professor. He is a trustee of the James Clerk Maxwell Foundation, chairman of the Forth Bridges Visitor Centre Trust, a former president of the Edinburgh Bibliographical Society and, from 1992–2002 served as a commissioner on the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland.

Since 1975 he has worked on the recording, promotion of knowledge, and conservation of historical engineering works at home and abroad by means of trusts, awards, plaques, conferences, lectures and publications, the best known of which relate to bridges, Telford, the Forth Bridge, and Stevenson *Family of Engineers*. Recognition of his work has included an MBE, the Institution of Civil Engineers' Garth Watson Medal and the Robert Alfred Carr Prize, an honorary doctorate in engineering from Heriot-Watt University, and the American Society of Civil Engineers' History and Heritage Award.

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After a brief spell in contracting with Sir William Arrol and Company Ltd he spent a lifetime in consulting engineering both in the United Kingdom and abroad, including seven years in Glasgow in charge of Ove Arup and Partners' office.

Dr Shipway has had three technical papers on engineering history published by the Institution of Civil Engineers and has received two Institution awards, the Charles Hawksley Prize and Robert Alfred Carr Prize. He is also the author of booklets on the origins and history of the Tay Bridge and West Highland Railway Extension and has given numerous lectures on aspects of engineering history, including recently, the Scottish Group of the Panel for Historical Engineering Works 2006 lecture on the life and work of Isambard Kingdom Brunel.

