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Iron Bridge shortlisted for PHEW awards

PROFESSOR Roland Paxton got to grips with the 197 year old Iron Bridge at Stratfield Saye, the Wellington estate, in Hampshire last week during judging for the ICE's Historic Bridge awards.

Renovated from a state of near collapse, the Iron Bridge is one of 18 structures entered for this year's Awards run by the ICE's Panel for Historical **Engineering Works. Paxton** chairs the judging team which has inspected seven bridges shortlisted for the awards, which are to be presented on 18 November by ICE's incoming President Professor George Fleming. The awards "recognise and encourage excellence and innovation" in bridge repair, renovation and reconstruction.

Finalists are: Chainbridge, Usk; Horkstow Suspension Bridge, North Lincolnshire; Iron Bridge, Stratfield Saye; Radcot Bridge Oxfordshire; River Lune Bridge, Thirlmere Aqueduct; Town Bridge; Northwich; and Underbridge No 194 at Irlm. Mike Winney

