

Then and Now 1951 & 2011

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The Brickworks...



Working for the London Brick Company in the 1950s

'When I first started that job down there my wrists used to swell up with stacking the bricks. I had to put all bandages

round them.' (Alec Clifford, featured in 'Bigger Brighter Better'.)

The Printing Works...

McCorquodales printing works, Stratford Road, Wolverton c 1950

The firm's first premises opened in Wolverton in 1878, demolished in 1988. Most of its 800 workers were women – railway workers' wives and daughters – their supervisors and managers being men.



The Railway Works...



The Finishing Shop, Wolverton Works c 1950

At its height, the Works covered 80 acres and employed 5,000 people.

Modern Works...



Offices in Central Milton Keynes: the city is renowned for 'blue chip' companies – those with 'a national reputation for quality, reliability and the ability to operate profitably in good times and bad.'

Construction in Central Milton Keynes: as the UK's fastest expanding economic growth centre, Milton Keynes has provided vast opportunities for the building industry.



Jurys Inn Hotel in Central Milton Keynes: the service industry is a substantial growth area for the city.

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