

Sawmill Health & Safety
and Visitors Guide

Newbridge on Wye



The mark of
responsible forestry



BSW Timber

National Strength, Local Service.

Brief Overview of Newbridge on Wye Mill

Size

10 ha site.

History

The Newbridge mill was opened in 1981 by HRH Prince Charles, as one of the most advanced mills in the UK. The site played an important role in BSW's move into the construction product market.

Production Capacity

120,000 m³ sawn timber.

Length Capacity

2.4 - 4.8 metres.

Primary Breakdown

Infrastructure

Log Diameter Sorting Line, Greenmill, Timber Sorting Lines.

Secondary Operations

Infrastructure

Kilns, Strength Grader / Planer, Treatment Plant, Development Mill (including a Multihead Cross Cut Line).

Log Intake

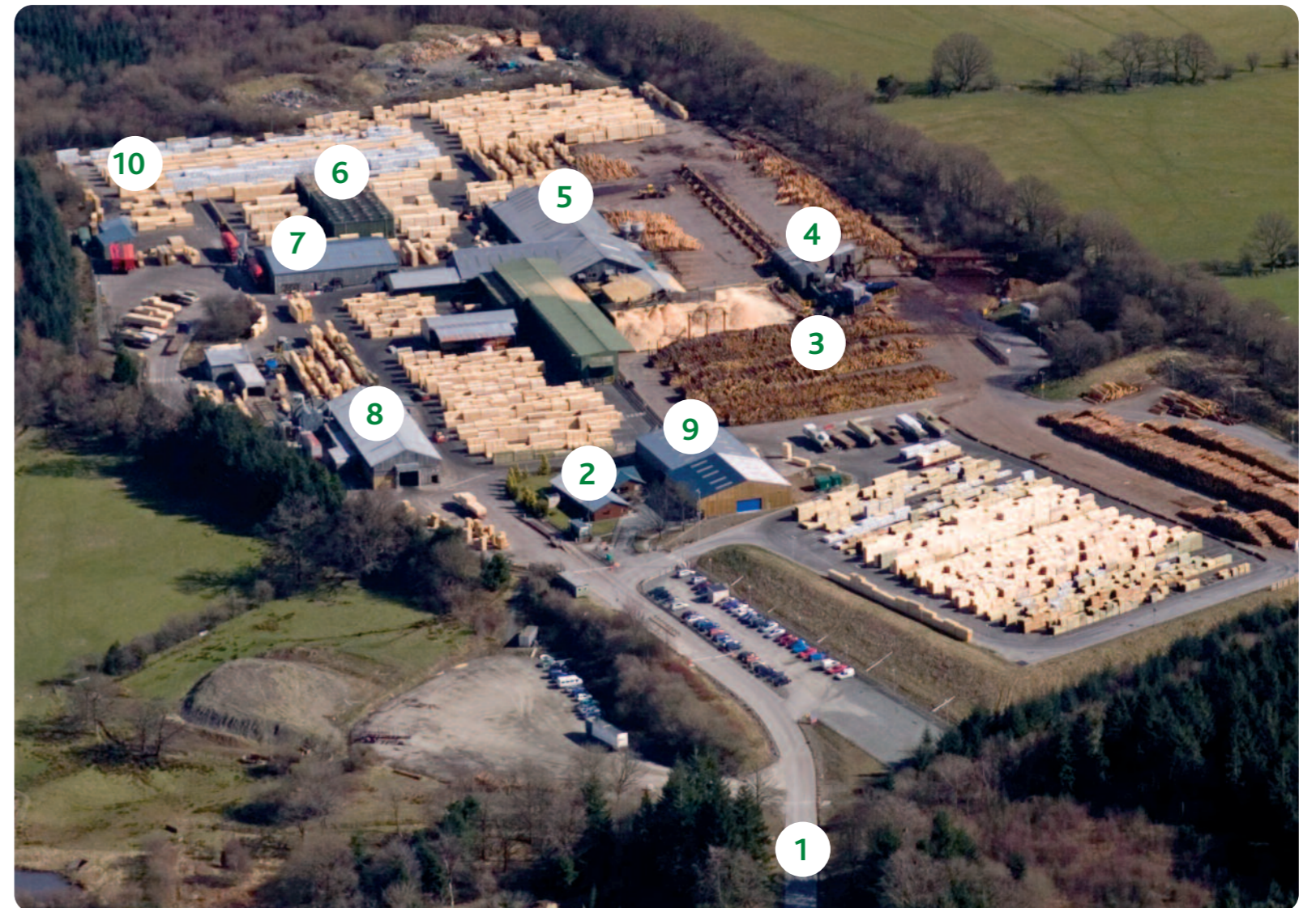
170 loads of logs are delivered to BSW Newbridge every week. The cut to length sawlogs range in size from 2.4m - 4.8m and in top diameter from 14 to 50cm. The species intake is 98% Spruce and 2% Larch and Douglas Fir.

Log Catchment Area

The log catchment area stretches throughout Wales and into England but predominantly Welsh fibre is processed (approx 90%).

Products Produced

Construction Timber, Fencing, Decking, Pallet and Packaging, and Landscaping.



1 SITE ENTRANCE

2 MAIN OFFICE

3 LOG STORAGE AREAS

4 BUTT REDUCER/
DEBARKER/DIAMETER
SORTING LINE

5 GREENMILL

6 KILNS

7 PLANER/GRADER

8 SECONDARY OPERATIONS

9 TREATMENT PLANT

10 SAWN TIMBER
STORAGE YARD



Visitors Health and Safety Instructions

- All visitors must report to reception in the main office building and sign in and out of the premises.
- All visitors must be accompanied by a company representative at all times.
- Please be aware that sawmill operations will continue as normal whilst a tour is underway and all visitors need to be aware of their surroundings.
- Do not depart from the designated walkways unless authorisation is given.
- Personal Protective Equipment will be issued to you by your guide. Hard hats, Hearing Protection and Safety Vest MUST be worn at all times during the tour.
- Smoking is allowed in designated areas only.
- In the event of the fire alarm sounding make your way to the fire assembly point at the main office car park.
- Appropriate footwear MUST be worn – it is strongly advised that flat shoes be worn for mill tours. Failing this, it may not be possible to enter the sawmill site due to underfoot conditions.
- Be aware of fork lift trucks and other vehicles at all times. Always use the walkways.
- Please note that sideloaders do not have full visibility.
- Mobile phones must be switched off during mill tours.
- Permission must be granted for any photography to be taken on site.



From South and East: From the town of Builth Wells take the A470 signposted to Rhayader. After approx three miles the mill is on your right.

From the North: Take the A470 southbound towards Builth Wells. Drive through the village of Newbridge and after approx two miles the mill is on your left.

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