

Imerys Minerals Ltd have donated 12 mine tubs out of the 25 in use at Norden No.7 mine to the Museum. They were used to haul ball clay up an inclined railway to an undercover area where the clay was tipped into large hoppers. The age of these tubs is not known but during refurbishment it became obvious that the metal pieces have been reused many times and the wood replaced when worn out. The sides are planked, but the hinged side is made from a sheet of plywood, the bottom of which sufferers from extreme wear and tear and is therefore replaced more frequently.