



Slinden Services Ltd

Cast Iron Welding & Metal Stitching Repairs

Hong Kong Gas Lamp Column



We are proud to have been involved in the repair and restoration of a cast iron pedestal lamp column which was one of four gas lamps standing in the Duddell Street, Central area of Hong Kong, upon a heritage flight of granite steps until super typhoon Mangkhut ripped through the area in September 2018, felling trees which in turn caused damage to 3 of the 4 gas lamps.



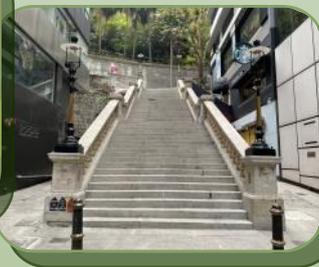
The vintage glow of the lamps is a favourite with movie and TV show directors, with fans of the Hong Kong rom-coms recognising the location, which was declared an historical monument in 1979. These Rochester gas lamps were a shorter model than regular lamps as they were mounted on the parapets of the steps, and were made by Sugg & Co in the early 1920's.



One of the cast iron columns was very badly damaged, and needed our expertise in carefully piecing it back together, using our Lloyds approved fusion welding procedure. This was followed by grinding of all welds to match existing shape, then blasting and finally given a good coating of red oxide primer before returning to Sugg & Co for their final restorations to the gas lamp, and shipping back out to Hong Kong for reinstallation.



The Antiquities and Monuments Office sent representatives over to the UK to visit both ourselves and the lighting company, as they were very interested in the processes involved in restoring their monument! A detailed record was made using photographs and video for the AMO's future reference, before the gas lamps were finally put back in pride of place earlier this year, looking quite impressive, as the last photographs show!



- On Site Inspection/Quotation
- Lloyds Welding Procedures
- Full Crack Detection
- Full Shot Blasting
- Recasting if needed
- Painting as Required
- 2 Year Guarantee

*Breathing new life into
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