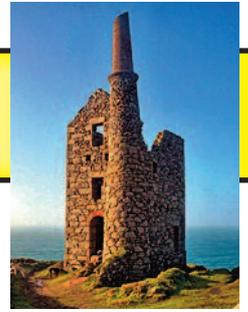


## Down to Earth

"Earth science learning for all"

## Where there's Muck -

An economic geology of Britain



## Supported self study course, September 2020 for 9-weeks

### KEY INFORMATION

<b>COURSE TITLE:</b>	<b>Where there's muck - an economic geology of Britain</b>
<b>LEVEL:</b>	<b>The course is designed for anyone interested in learning about the economic geology of the British Isles</b>
<b>DATES:</b>	<b>The course begins during the week commencing September 21st.</b>
<b>DELIVERY:</b>	<b>Course participants can access the materials in print form, or by Moodle and Email. Printed papers cost £20.00 extra. Everyone is invited to a weekly live Zoom meeting (day/time later)</b>
<b>COURSE TUTOR:</b>	<b>Chris Darmon supported by Colin Schofield</b>
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### WELCOME TO THE LEARNING ZONE

We welcome everyone to our **Down to Earth learning zone**, whether this is your first time, or you are a regular! You'll be joining a community of learners across the UK who will come together on a weekly basis in Autumn and Winter to discover more about our fascinating subject. We provide a relaxed learning environment in which we can all learn both from the tutor and each other. We'll be providing weekly materials that will lead you to find out more, doing your own bit of research on the internet, or even searching your own memory and sharing what you find with others. You are also invited to a weekly live Zoom meeting (timings of which will be announced later.)

The tutor has had extensive field experience in the UK and abroad over a 45-year career and has taught adults in Sheffield for more than 30 years; for the LEA, the University of Sheffield and the Workers' Education Association. For the past six years he has had experience of delivering distance learning courses to learners around the country. He'll be supported by his friend and colleague Colin Schofield who will be on Moodle and the live Zoom sessions.

**To protect our materials, we must ask you to agree not to share them with anyone not enrolled on the course by any means, including email. This is a condition of you enrolling on this course.**

### INTRODUCTION TO THE COURSE

The title of this course has been inspired by the old Northern saying, "Where there's muck - there's brass". This was applied to people, or more commonly communities that got their hands dirty and in so doing made money! Sadly, that wasn't always the case. There were many such communities where the workers were best described as "dirt poor", only the owners made money.

This course, is being presented in two parts, with Part 1 in 9-weeks this Autumn and a further 8-weeks in the New Year.

### COURSE CONTENT

*What follows is the list of topics to be covered, in this the first part of a course that will be continued in the New Year.*

- **Introduction: If it wasn't for our rich & varied geology** - provides the back drop to the course
- **Unit 1: Metallic resources** - some made a fortune, whilst others lost the lot
- **Unit 2: Metallic mining in Southwest England** - the rich mining heritage of Devon & Cornwall
- **Unit 3: Carrock Fell Wolfram mine** - a failed Lake District venture
- **Unit 4: Iron ore** - a story of home and away
- **Unit 5: Gold mining in the British Isles** - an ongoing saga, where fortunes can still be made
- **Unit 6: Non metallic resources** - salts of the Earth



- **Unit 7: The Peak District's mineral mines** - riches for a few, poverty for the rest
- **Unit 8: Rock aggregate** - pile it high, sell it cheap

**Everyone enrolling will receive a course timetable before the course begins.**

### **PRACTICAL POINTS**

- To do this course electronically you'll need a computer or tablet with access to the internet. You'll also need a valid email address - please supply it at the time of enrolment. Units will be sent as pdf files. A broadband connection would be very helpful, but is not essential.
- To access Moodle, Colin will give you some simple instructions and a password.
- If you want to take part in our live Zoom presentations, you'll need to fit a camera and microphone to your computer. These can be purchased at very reasonable prices online and are easy to fit and use.

**You will be informed about the timings of Zoom meetings nearer to the commencement of the course.**

### **THE COST**

The cost of this course is £40.00 per person if you are having the materials by Email or Moodle or £60.00 if you want the materials in printed form. If you choose to have the materials printed, you can still access Moodle and join our Zoom meetings as well. (If two of you want to study together, you can do so for an additional £20.00 payment.)

### **ENROLLING**

To enrol on this course you can do so via our website. You do this by entering the online shop first...

***www.geosupplies.co.uk***  
***or you can ring us on 0114 2455746***

You can also send a cheque to the following address  
(made payable to "Geo Supplies Ltd"):-

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***Sheffield, S35 2XE***

### **LOOKING FOR HELP?**

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the tutor, Chris Darmon by email:-

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