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A Canterbury Tale: Logging relict shear surfaces in the garden of England

Ed Crimp

Geotechnical Engineering Limited (GEL)

Tuesday 19th May 2026

Hybrid Talk: Starts at 6:30pm (see below for details)

The Western Regional Group is pleased to welcome Ed Crimp of Geotechnical Engineering Limited who will report on the construction of large observation pits to observe relict shear surfaces as part of a comprehensive ground investigation undertaken in 2025 for the proposed Broad Oak Reservoir in Kent. Ed will discuss the geology and Quaternary events that have influenced near surface ground conditions at the site. He will also report on the challenges of presenting the resulting data, which extend beyond the confines of a standard trial pit log.



Ed is a Chartered Geologist who has worked in UK Ground Investigation for over 20 years; the last 15 of those with GEL. As Principal Engineering Geologist, Ed has responsibility for soil and rock logging training, technical mentoring and the checking of logs and reports. Ed loves nothing better than a day on site, introducing graduate geologists to the logging of London Basin geology or to the challenge of describing a weathered rock profile.

Hybrid Event; When: 19th May 2026 at 6:30 PM (room opens at 6pm), at The Hub, 500 Park Ave, Aztec W, Almondsbury, Bristol BS32 4RZ. **Non-members welcome.**

Zoom Details: Zoom “room” opens from 6:15pm. Zoom Link:

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