

See Monster: What's the new art installation made from an old oil rig all about?

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What on earth do you do with an old oil rig?

Well, a team in Weston-super-mare have come up with a pretty special idea!

They are planning to turn a used oil platform from the North Sea into a public art work.

The See Monster, as it is called, was transported to the town's seaside on a barge as large as a football pitch.

The people behind the art project say they want it to get people talking about sustainability.

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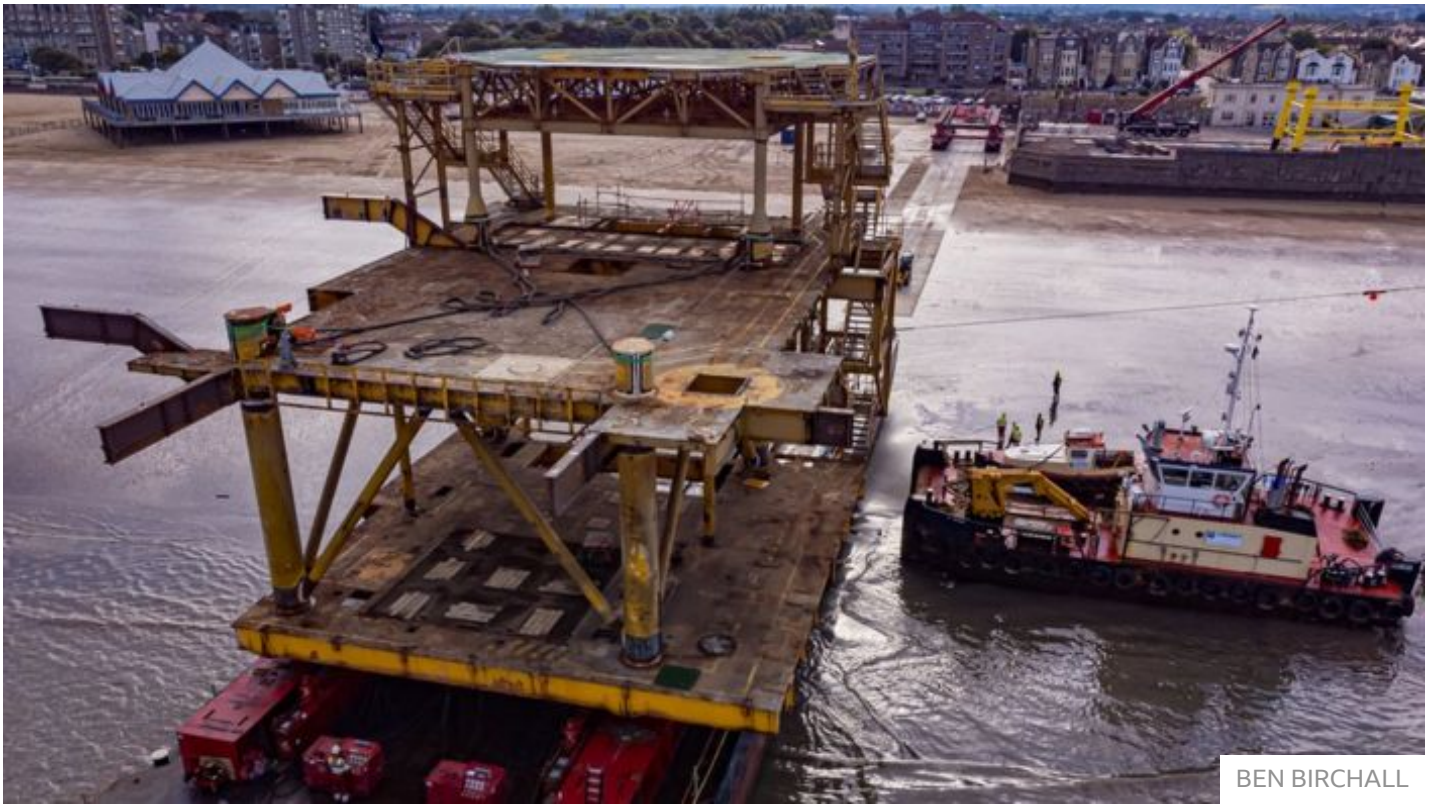


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The completed structure will include a 10-metre-high waterfall

The entire construction will be 35m tall - 15m taller than the **[Angel of the North](#)** and just 11m shy of Nelson's Column.

News substance, one of the groups behind the installation, said the "world-first project" is an "ambitious feat of design".



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Organisers said it will feature four levels including a waterfall, a 6,000-piece installation of the monster's shimmering scales, an onboard green oasis and a seated amphitheatre and broadcast studio!

Mark Canniford from North Somerset Council, said: "The idea of bringing this back and showing people how this can be of benefit and the lessons that could be learned is fantastic."





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The installation is being set up at the sea front where people will be able to watch the build

The 450-tonne platform was brought over from the Netherlands and arrived in Weston-super-Mare bay in the early hours of this morning.

News substance founder, Patrick O'Mahony, said: "These giants are all over the world and no one has ever tried to do this before.... It's like a rehabilitation. It's spent its life taking from the earth and now it's time for it to give back."

The installation forms part of a project called Unboxed: Creativity in the UK, which features 10 separate projects that draw on science, technology, engineering and maths.

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Cool

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sugar plum sweetie

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I really like the waterfall

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JazzKitten

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to sugar plum sweetie "I really like..."

Same

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tigerlover
13:30 23 Jul

Nice. I love how this is converted from damage to sustainability! 🌱🌱

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Splish12
12:20 23 Jul

WOW

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This is soo cool

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I love going to Weston Super Mare, we are staying there for 3 nights in a couple of weeks.

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Sophia
08:16 23 Jul

It looks fantastic! The people who helped build it did a great job! 🌱😊

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Oli

08:54 23 Jul

to Sophia **"It looks fan..."**

they haven't even started yet...

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Sienna

07:57 23 Jul

That is so cool 🌱🕶️😊

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SuperDude

07:42 23 Jul

That's so cool and clever 🕶️🕶️🕶️

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to SuperDude **"That's so c... "**

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