

HEF 414

In the 1920s there was anger among the nature lovers. The development required the electricity network to be spread to every corner of the country. This development meant, among other things, the establishment of transformer stations in the landscape. A lot of transformer stations were placed in small towers built of red bricks.

When the power had to be transported over long distances hundred years ago, it needed to be done in overhead wires with high voltage. The red towers provided shelter and safety around a transformer inside the tower. The transformer transformed the electrical voltage down to be used by consumers.

Today the electricity wires are buried, and this has rendered the towers. Most of the workers, who built the towers of local materials, are gone long ago. But the beautiful towers remain in the landscape, and many will also miss them, if they were demolished.

This tower stands on the edge of the field of production to Kongerslev Chalk. The tower HEF* 414 Sdr. Kongerslev Kalkværk' is a remain of a vanished past, but still in use.

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A transformer tower near Kongerslev, Himmerland, July 2018