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Old waterworks facility

Former pump station



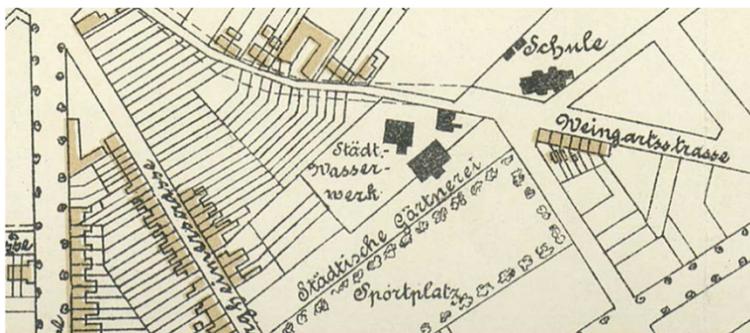
In 1880/1881, the Bochum engineer Heinrich Scheven built the **first Neuss waterworks** on the Weingartstraße on behalf of the city of Neuss, which supplied Neuss's city centre with drinking water over a pipeline system for almost 100 years. 206,000 cubic metres of water were produced each year and fed into the grid, originally with steam pumps, and later with electric pumps. The windmill tower on the promenade, attached to the water tower, provided the necessary water pressure. In 1979, the operation of the waterworks had to be discontinued preliminarily due to contamination of the ground water, followed by the final decommissioning of the waterworks in 1985.

In 1986, the '**Neusser Bauverein AG**' [Building Association of Neuss] acquired the protected landmark buildings and converted them for residential purposes as part of the publicly funded housing programme. The former pump station gave way to six maisonettes grouped around an atrium, the carriage house is home to three studios for Neuss artists, and even the former foreman building was turned into flats.

(Sources and texts: Neuss municipal archives)



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Weingartstraße with the waterworks facilities and the Weingart school on a map from the year 1909



Aerial view of the waterworks on Weingartstraße with the engine station (right), the foreman building (left), and the botanical garden, 1964



The engine station (pump station) of the waterworks from the east side, 1981



The seven-axis brick hall of the pump station shortly before decommissioning, around 1985

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