

ECT1 ECONOMICS TRIPOS PART I

10.00 a.m. $30^{\rm th}$ April 2019 to $3^{\rm rd}$ May 2019

Paper 5

BRITISH ECONOMIC HISTORY

PROJECT

This project carries 50% of the mark for Paper 5.

There are two titles on the British Industrial Revolution; students are required to answer only **ONE** question.

Your project report should not exceed 2500 words.

Make sure the question title is included on your title page.

Write your candidate number (not your name) on the cover of each booklet.

Further information is available on the Moodle site.

EITHER

What lessons, if any, does the evidence on technological innovation in the British industrial revolution provide for understanding the process of technological innovation more generally? Answer by referring to at least three theories of technological innovation.

OR

The standard of living for the majority showed little improvement during Britain's industrialisation. Can the evidence on this aspect of people's welfare be reconciled with evidence of sustained economic and productivity growth from 1780 to 1850?