



Charnwood Local Plan 2011 to 2028

Core Strategy

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Heritage

- 7.37** Our built heritage makes a strong contribution to our quality of life. We have a rich mix of historic buildings and monuments which were built using a variety of local materials drawn from the diverse geology of the Borough. Many places in our Borough show strong signs of our industrial history.
- 7.38** Heritage 'assets' include a building, monument, site, place, area or landscape positively identified as having a degree of significance. They are made up of designated assets (Scheduled Monuments, Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas and Registered Parks and Gardens) and assets identified by the council (e.g. locally listed buildings).
- 7.39** We have over 1,000 listed buildings, 37 Conservation Areas, 21 Scheduled Monuments, 3 Registered Parks and Gardens and 200 locally listed buildings.
- 7.40** Our Borough has a rich built heritage but there are some historic structures which are at risk. This may be from lack of maintenance or agricultural activity. There is also a relationship between our strategy for homes and jobs and some historic features which will require careful management to improve their prospects.
- 7.41** Historic England identifies the following features within our Borough which are at risk.
- The Temple of Venus, Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough
 - The Triumphal Arch, Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough
 - Garendon Park, Garendon, Shepshed
 - Taylor's Bell Foundry, Freehold Street, Loughborough
 - Ulverscroft Priory ruins, Priory Lane, Ulverscroft
 - Shelthorpe Conservation Area
 - Shepshed Conservation Area
 - Roman villa north of Hamilton Grounds Farm, Barkby Thorpe
- 7.42** Our historic environment and its heritage assets should be understood, conserved and enhanced for their own value and for their contribution to the sense of place and quality of life of those who live in Charnwood.
- 7.43** Where opportunities arise, particularly through new development, we will consider favourably those schemes that make a positive contribution and enhance existing heritage assets.

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We will conserve and enhance our historic assets for their own value and the community, environmental and economic contribution they make. We will do this by:

- requiring development proposals to protect heritage assets and their setting;
- supporting development which prioritises the refurbishment and re-use of disused or under used buildings of historic or architectural merit or incorporates them sensitively into regeneration schemes;
- working with our partners to prepare Conservation Area Character Statements, Landscape Character Assessments and Village Design Statements;
- supporting developments which have been informed by and reflect Conservation Area Character Appraisals, Landscape Character Appraisals and Village Design Statements;
- supporting developments which incorporate Charnwood's distinctive local building materials and architectural details;
- supporting the viable and sustainable use of heritage assets at risk of neglect or loss, providing such development is consistent with the significance of the heritage asset, especially where this supports tourism or business development;
- securing improvements to the following 'at risk' heritage assets through our major developments:
 - the Temple of Venus, Garendon Park, Ashby Road, Loughborough
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