

Non-Designated Heritage Assets

Non-Designated Heritage Assets (NDHAs) is a term which was first used when the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in 2012. Under the NPPF they are defined as buildings, monuments, sites, places, areas or landscapes that have some heritage significance and which merit consideration in planning decisions, but which do not meet the criteria for designated heritage assets.

As well as identifying NDHAs as part of the decision-making process for planning applications, since 2001 Aylesbury Vale District Council have identified structures of local heritage significance in Character Appraisals as part of undertaking Conservation Area reviews or designations, a process which included public consultation. These identifications were informed by the relevant guidance documents at the time; currently Historic England's Historic England Advice Note 7, 'local heritage listing'.

- Between 2001 and 2006, these were identified on maps contained within the Conservation Area Appraisal documents and described as 'prominent buildings which contribute to the character of the area.'
- From 2007 a list of these can be found at the back of each individual Conservation Area Appraisal document.
- Between 2007 and 2015 these are described as 'Local Note Buildings'.
- After 2015, they are described as 'Local Heritage Assets'.

For clarity, all of the above terms are equivalent to that of Non-Designated Heritage Assets.

Whilst AVDC do not have a separate local list, these NDHAs are likely to form the basis of any such exercise. However, this would not exclude the addition of other assets not previously identified and would also seek to expand the list to include assets outside of the Conservation Areas.

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