

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 4.4
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Local List Additions

R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S	
FROM : Daniel Worley - Planning Services	Deadline date : N.A.
That Committee:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notes the outcome of the public consultation on the inclusions to the Local List of Heritage Assets within Peterborough 2. Supports the inclusion of the proposed heritage assets within the Local List of Heritage Assets within Peterborough 3. Supports the inclusion of the existing Article 4 properties within the Local List of Heritage Assets within Peterborough 	

1 ORIGIN OF REPORT

- 1.1 At the time of creation of the Local List of Heritage Assets within Peterborough (hereinafter referred to as the 'Local List'), a series of buildings were served with Article 4 directions to protect their heritage significance as opposed to being included on the Local List. Recent changes to the Government's planning guidance has placed an expectation that any building with an Article 4 Direction placed upon it for heritage purposes, is a non-designated heritage asset and therefore should be placed on the relevant List.
- 1.2 In light of this, a review of the Council's Local List has been undertaken, and a number of additions are proposed. The proposed additions comprise 98 assets which are already subject to an Article 4 Direction, and a further 45 assets which have been identified. Those within the villages of Sutton, Pilsgate, Southorpe and Thornhaugh arose from recommendations within their respective adopted Conservation Area Appraisals, while the remainder were requested by the Civic Society or chosen by Officers responding to potential risk, especially to prominent features within various street scenes.
- 1.3 Various public consultations have been undertaken on these changes (which were based upon individual descriptions of each heritage asset), the results of which have been amalgamated into a single submission to Members within this report.

2 PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 This report is before Members for approval of one hundred and forty-three additional heritage assets to the Local List. The report also provides an update on the outcome of the public consultation that was carried out in regards to these additions.
- 2.2 The purpose of this report is to ensure that Members of the Committee are consulted on the changes and are able to give their views on the changes proposed.

3 **TIMESCALE**

Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting	N/A
Date for relevant Council meeting	N/A	Date for submission to Government Dept <i>(please specify which Government Dept)</i>	N/A

4 **BACKGROUND**

Planning Policy Background

- 4.1 Both paragraph 197 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the corresponding National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) recommends that ‘local planning authorities keep a local list of non-designated heritage assets’ and ‘all non-designated heritage assets be identified as such’. The addition of the proposed heritage assets to the Local List contributes to the effort to create a comprehensive list of identified non-designated assets within Peterborough.
- 4.2 Further, Policy LP19 of the Peterborough Local Plan (2019) requires particular emphasis, amongst others, on the ‘identification and protection of significant non-designated heritage assets and their settings’ The proposal to insert additional assets on the Local List in this respect constitutes identification which would subsequently more readily ensure their long term protection.

Selection Criteria

- 4.3 Since the creation of the Local List, guidance regarding selection criteria from Historic England has been updated. Whilst this guidance does not undermine the soundness of the existing local selection criteria, it has broadened both the potential scope of assets and reasons for inclusion within a Local List. The criteria for inclusion within the Local List is not affected by the revision to the guidance.
- 4.4 National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) is clear that it is important that decisions to identify properties as non-designated heritage assets are based upon sound evidence. The criteria used for this review of the Local List can be found at Appendix 4 and is considered sound by Officers.

Proposed additions to the Local List

- 4.5 It is proposed for 98 properties which are currently subject to an Article 4 Direction for heritage purposes, be included on the Local List. In addition, it is proposed for 45 further properties to be included owing to their heritage value. A full list of the additional assets to be included on the Local List can be found at Appendix 3.

Public consultation

- 4.6 As detailed above, the submission of this report follows various public consultations, which have been amalgamated into a single submission to Members.
- 4.7 No consultation has been undertaken with regard the Article 4 properties. The statutory protection afforded the buildings under the Local List is of a lower order than Article 4 restrictions and as such, no consultation is required. Furthermore, any building with an Article 4 Direction for heritage purposes is considered a non-designated heritage assets and therefore, by definition, must meet the selection criteria of the Local List.
- 4.8 With regards to the remaining proposed inclusions within the Local List, these went out to public consultation in ‘batches’, with the first consultation undertaken from 15 December 2016 for a period of 28 days and comprising 22 heritage assets. The second consultation related to those assets within Thornhaugh, carried out between 29 November 2018 and 17

February 2019, while the remainder were subject to consultation between the 2 August and 29 October 2019.

- 4.9 A copy of the description of each individual asset was published on the Council's website, and a letter sent to each respective property and other interested parties, including: Peterborough Civic Society; Historic England; the Parish Council; and the relevant Ward Councillors
- 4.10 Representations have been received from individual residents both in support and in objection to the respective properties being included on the Local List. These response can be found at Appendix 2 of this report. Those objecting to the inclusion of their respective property have objected to the principle of inclusion.

Other amendments to the Local List

- 4.11 A limited number of minor amendments, correcting factual and spelling errors have been incorporated resulting from consultation comments. The approved version will be made available on the Council's website.

5 ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

- 5.1 The addition of the one hundred and forty-three heritage assets to the Local List would contribute to the fulfilment of the Local Planning Authority's obligations under:
- Policy LP19 of the Peterborough Local Plan (2019) to 'identify and protect significant non-designated heritage assets'; and
 - The NPPF (2019) and NPPG (2019) to 'keep a local list of non-designated heritage assets'.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 Inclusion of the additional one hundred and forty-three heritage assets within the 'Local Lists of Heritage Assets within Peterborough' would:
- Fulfil the Local Planning Authority's obligations under paragraph 197 of the National Planning Policy Framework, and corresponding guidance within the National Planning Practice Guidance;
 - Provides explicit guidance to homeowners and developers regarding the status of the heritage assets and consequent clarity regarding the expectations for development;
 - Have a positive impact upon the conservation of the heritage of Peterborough, by ensuring that development takes into consideration the impact upon the relevant non-designated heritage assets; and
 - The proposal would further the stated aim of Policy LP19 of the Peterborough Local Plan (2019).

7 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 7.1 Do nothing – This would be contrary to Government guidance set out within the National Planning Policy Framework (2019) and Guidance on Local Heritage Listing by Historic England (2016).

8 IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no specific financial implications for the City Council identified in this report.

9 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 9.1 Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985):

- Local Heritage Listing, Historic England Advice Note 7 (2016)
- National Planning Policy Framework (2019)
- National Planning Policy Guidance (2019)
- Local List of Heritage Assets in Peterborough (2012)
- Peterborough Local Plan (2019)

10. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Existing Local List

Appendix 2 Responses

Appendix 3 Proposed list of inclusions

Appendix 4 Proposed Local List