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1 Introduction

1.1 Conservation Areas

Rushcliffe Borough Council has an obligation under <u>Section 69 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990</u> to review, from time to time, its Conservation Area designations.

A Conservation Area, as defined under <u>Section 69</u>, is 'an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance'.

Flintham Conservation Area was first designated in 1972. Prior to this appraisal of 2023, the most recent appraisal of the Flintham Conservation Area was carried out in 2009.

Section 71 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 highlights the local planning authority's duty to formulate and publish proposals for the preservation and enhancement of the conservation areas. This document, therefore, aims to identify and reaffirm (or redefine) the special architectural or historic interest of the area which warrants its designation.

Conservation Area Appraisals are not, and never have been, tools to fossilise a place against change. Instead, the processes of change which allow places to grow and evolve are recognised as being unavoidable, and it is also recognised that change can be a positive and desirable force. The designation allows greater scrutiny and control to manage change positively and to ensure that any changes which require planning permission do not harm the existing character of the place. Any changes should actively enhance the Conservation Area.

1.2 The purpose of a Conservation Area Character Appraisal

The purpose of a Conservation Area Character Appraisal is to:

- Identify and record the special interest of the Conservation Area to ensure there is a public awareness and understanding of what is worthy of preservation
- To define and reassess current boundaries to accurately reflect what is currently perceived to be of special interest
- To identify opportunities to safeguard and enhance the special interest of the Conservation Area

It should be noted that the content in this document is not a comprehensive account of every significant building, structure, tree, wall, feature, or space. Therefore, any omission should not be assumed to imply that they are of no interest.

Flintham Conservation Area: Summary of Special Interest

The approaches to the village vary in character, ranging from narrow lanes lined by hedges to wider roads with verges. Approaching from the South, there are a variety of trees with open views of the village.

The linear Main Street is distinctive with a consistent level of materials and design. Main Street is defined by buildings or walls built alongside the road which gives the area an enclosed feel.

A key feature of the village is Flintham Hall with its surrounding parkland. Although some of this area is used for agriculture it retains its historic character due to mature clumps of trees and individual trees within the fields.

The village is closely bordered by a network of small fields and paddocks.

Generally, the character and appearance of a Conservation Area will be preserved or enhanced by:

- Providing controls and regulating development through the planning system.
- Applying the extra controls that designation provides over demolition, minor development, and the protection of trees.
- Environmental enhancement schemes and possibly providing financial assistance for the repair and restoration of specific buildings.
- Encouraging public bodies such as the local highways authority or utility companies to take opportunities to improve the street scene through the appropriate design and sensitive sighting of street furniture (and retention of historic features of interest), or the removal of eyesores and street features that have a negative impact such as overhead wires.

1.3 The Planning Policy Context

This appraisal provides a firm basis on which applications for development within the Flintham Conservation Area would be assessed. It should be read alongside the wider development plan policy framework produced by Rushcliffe Borough Council and other National Planning Policy Guidance documents. The relevant documents include:

- Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy, with a specific focus on:
 - Policy 10 (Design and Enhancing Local Identity) [in part]
 - Policy 11 (Historic Environment)
- Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 2: Development Policies, with a specific focus on:
 - o Policy 28 (Conserving and Enhancing Heritage Assets)
 - Policy 29 (Development Affecting Archaeological Sites)
- The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (Revised 2021)
- <u>The National Planning Practice Guidance</u> (2015 Subject to Continual Review)
- By Design: Urban Design in the Planning System Towards Better Practice (2000)
- The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Flintham Conservation Area: Summary of Key Issues

2 Flintham Location and Landscape Setting

Rushcliffe Borough is at the southern tip of Nottinghamshire, bordering Leicestershire. It is predominantly a rural Borough with a mix of city suburbs, market towns and villages. Rushcliffe is located about half a mile South of Nottingham city centre, with the River Trent forming the majority of its northern boundary and the River Soar defining its western boundary.

The A46, a distinctive Roman Road, runs through the centre of the Borough towards Newark in the North and Leicester in the South. Towards the north of the Borough, the A52 forms Nottingham's primary transport link to Grantham and the East of England. Junction 24 of the M1 and East Midlands Airport are located about 1 mile from the western border.

Flintham is located just to the East of the A46 adjacent to the Borough's northern boundary. The village has a church, pub, school, museum, a community run shop, a sports pavilion with playing field, and a village hall. The A46 forms a barrier between the village and housing located to the West, adjacent to Syerston Airfield. Flintham is located on a slight ridge running East to West.

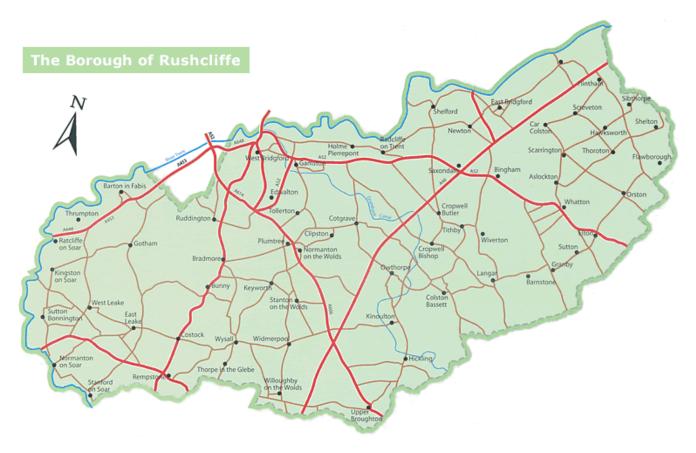


Figure 1- A Map of the Borough of Rushcliffe

2.1 The Flintham Conservation Area

The Flintham Conservation Area is one of Rushcliffe's largest Conservation Areas and contains the most listed buildings or structures – 39 in total. The Conservation Area has two distinct parts, the core of the village with adjacent small fields and paddocks and Flintham Hall with its parkland and woodland. Areas not included within the conservation area are the housing on Inholms Gardens and areas of large-scale arable farming located to the North of the village.

Conservation Area Boundary covers 139.50 ha (approximate)
Number of Grade I listed buildings 2

Number of Grade II* listed buildings 0
Number of Grade II listed buildings 37

A full list of Flintham Conservation Area's Listed buildings can be found in Appendix 1 Details accurate as of January 2023.

3 Historical Contexts and their Perceptibility

3.1 Location and Historic Activities

A Roman road, dating from the first century AD, cuts through the parish as can be seen in Figures 2 and 3. The road, which became known as The Fosse Way, follows the line of a pre-Roman trackway and forms the boundary between most communities along its route. Flintham is an exception, indicating that there may have been a settlement here before the Romans upgraded the trackway to a road. The village appears in the *Domesday Book* of 1086 as Flinteham.

Flintham's history is intimately linked with the evolution of its principal estate and the families who shaped its character over the centuries. The Thoroton family, established as small landowners in medieval Nottinghamshire, became a prominent local influence. Originally taking their name from the village of Thoroton, the family's fortunes were notably advanced by Dr. Robert Thoroton (1623–1678), whose celebrated work, Antiquities of Nottinghamshire (1677), highlighted the county's rich heritage.

A pivotal development occurred when Thomas Thoroton (1636–1695) acquired Kirketon Hall (later known as Screveton Hall) and the manor of Screveton in 1685, establishing it as the family's principal residence. In the early 18th century, further prosperity was secured when Robert Thoroton (1692–1751) inherited land in Derbyshire, bolstering the family's wealth through involvement in local mining ventures.

The family's connection with Flintham was cemented in 1789 when Thomas Thoroton (1723–1794) sold the Derbyshire estate, likely to finance the purchase of Flintham House in Nottinghamshire. This transition marked Flintham House's emergence as the family's primary seat, a status that has continued through successive generations despite subsequent estate sales in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The Hildyard family, through marital alliances and inheritances, further enriched the legacy of Flintham, with significant improvements made to the house, its parkland, and the parish church.

Flintham's historical narrative is also reflected in its landscape. The hall is set against a backdrop of mature woodland that stretches towards the River Trent, visible from key local routes such as the Fosse Way. The parish church, with origins in the 13th century, retains many historic elements—including a distinctive tower with a pyramidal roof, a 14th-century font, and a variety of later period fixtures—that attest to the enduring legacy of the area's ecclesiastical and social history.

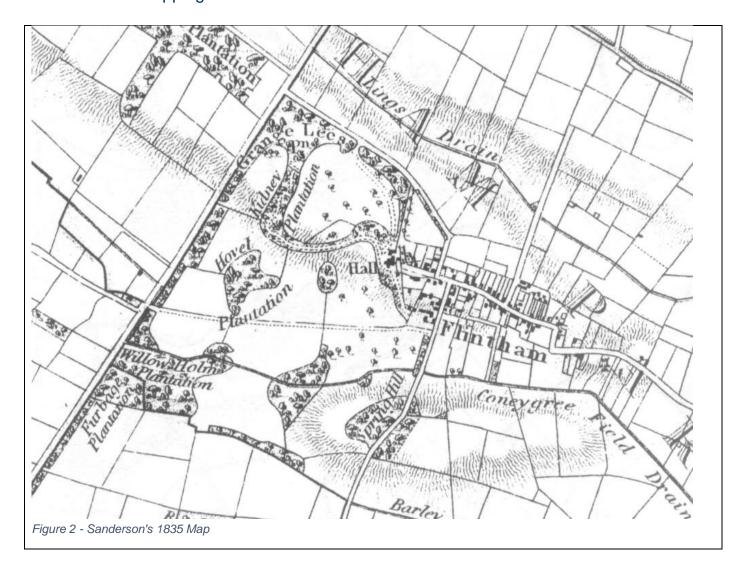
The appearance of the countryside around Flintham is primarily a result of the enclosure movement from the 16th to the 18th Centuries, modified by the requirements of modern farming. The maps below show that while many field boundaries remain unchanged, pressure for more economical farming techniques resulted in larger fields being created. Many of the fields and paddocks immediately adjacent to the village have remained relatively unchanged.

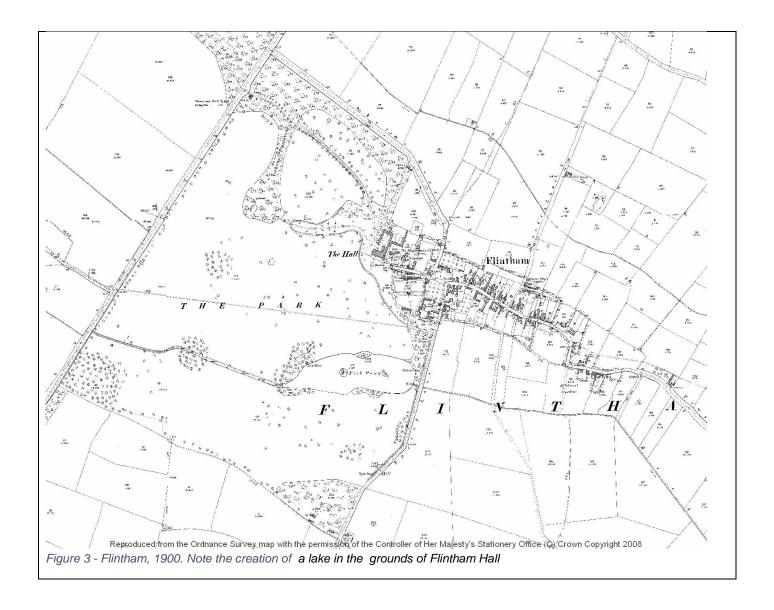
In *A Topographical Dictionary of England*, Samuel Lewis, (1848), the village is described as containing '611 inhabitants... and comprises by admeasurement 2101 acres, whereof 1471 are arable, 420 pasture, and 210 woodland; the soil is a red marl in the lower part of the parish, and in the upper part sandy.' From the 1860s onwards the number of inhabitants decreased as villagers moved to Nottingham and north Nottinghamshire in search of regular work.

3.2 Archaeology and Scheduled Monuments

There is one scheduled ancient monument in Flintham, the remains of a mud walled dovecote, located South of Main Street at the rear of Cottage Farm and The Broadmarsh. Grid ref: SK7420 4590. Before the use of brick, mud would have been a common building material.

3.3 Historical Mapping





4 Spatial Analysis

The relationship between open spaces and the built form within a conservation area can be central to its character. This section describes the layout of the village, highlights significant views, landmarks and historical focal points. The contribution of open green spaces, trees and other natural elements to the conservation area's character is also described within this section.

4.1 Plan, Form and Layout

The historic maps above show the road layout has remained much the same. There was a footpath running across the Hall grounds at one time being a route into the village, another from Kneeton which led to what is now the Hall's main drive.

The only notable infill has been along the road that links the village with the A46. As this is slightly set apart from the historic core of the village it has had little impact on the character of the Conservation Area. The village has always had a linear nature with properties being close to the adjacent roads (see Figure 4).



Figure 4 – Properties fronting the street, Main Street, looking West

Overleaf is a map that describes the current plan, form and layout of the village/town.



Figure 5 – Map of Flintham

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4.2 Landmarks, Focal Points and Views

The view from the lane which runs from the corner of Main Street and Inholms Road gives a tantalising glimpse of Flintham Hall, which isn't readily visible from other parts of the village.



Figure 6 - The church of St Augustine of Canterbury looking towards Flintham Hall



Figure 7 - The corner of Main Street and Inholms Road showing the village hall and a glimpse of Flintham Hall in the background

The Townscape Appraisal map illustrates these key views and other views which link the village to the adjacent countryside.

4.3 Open Spaces, Trees and Landscape

The Hall's grounds are a Registered Park and Garden, giving the feel of a natural English landscape with rolling grassland dotted with trees, lakes and woodlands. However the grounds are predominantly manmade including the lake which was created when the Hall was redeveloped in the mid-19th century.

The main approach to the village from the A46 is enhanced by mature woodland to the South and additional tree planting located along the wide verge and the edge of the adjacent public open space to the North. This entrance to the village is a stark contrast to the character of Main Street, which due to the density of housing and its close proximity to the road leaves very little space for many prominent trees.

The orchard located on the corner of Main Street and Spring Lane has distinctive timber fencing which enhances the rural character.

Woods Lane also has a strong rural character where the property frontages are dominated by hedgerows. The most prominent and traditional hedging plant is Hawthorn which complements the surrounding countryside. There is some loss of character when non-native plants such as Laurel have been used for hedging in this rural context.



Figure 8



Figure 9 – Town End Lane where one of two windmills was situated



Figure 10 – An Orchard at Town End Lane



Figure 11 – A pond and meadow area at the side of the Flintham Museum



Figure 12 - Part of a footpath off Spring Lane, looking towards Belvoir Castle

The most significant trees, hedges, open spaces, grass verges and gardens are marked on the Townscape Appraisal map.

Works to Trees

You must contact the Local Planning Authority (LPA), Rushcliffe Borough Council, before any works (cutting OR pruning) are carried out to trees within the Flintham Conservation Area Six weeks' notice is required before any works to trees within the Conservation Area is carried out, even if they are not protected by Tree Preservation Order (TPO).

Standard notification forms (a section 211 notice), further information and contact details are available at: https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/media/lgepdp11/conservation-area-tree-notification.pdf

A flow chart of the decision-making process regarding works to trees is available at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/77764
6/TPO_flowchart_5.pdf

4.4 Public Realm

Boundary treatments are particularly important in Flintham. Woods Lane mentioned above is dominated by hedgerows, while Main Street is dominated by red brick and stone walls. These, along with the unusual design of timber fencing around Flintham Hall, all help to define Flintham's special character.

There are many examples of walls and timber fencing in the village. Many of the walls have either flat brick coping or a triangular brick coping.

Significant walls and hedges are marked on the Townscape Appraisal map.



Figure 13 - Inholms Road looking towards the A46



Figure 14 - Main Street just before Town End Lane



Figure 15 - The Lane towards the church and Flintham Hall

Surfacing also makes an important contribution to the character of the Conservation Area and a number of properties still show examples of stone cobble paving. Any loss of this paving would drastically reduce the character of each property.



Figure 16 – Pebbled driveway



Figure 17 – Cobbled driveway

An example of stone cobble paving

5 Buildings of the Conservation Area and Key Characteristics

5.1 Building types and Activity

The older buildings in Flintham are a mix of farmhouses, cottages, Georgian houses and outbuildings, many of these can be seen on the historical maps shown in 4.1.



Figure 18 - Inholms Road, opposite the village hall



Figure 19



Figure 20 - Outbuildings on the lane towards the Church and Flintham Hall

5.2 Key Characteristics and Building Materials

5.2.1 Materials

Historically, most building materials in Flintham were sourced locally, as transportation was limited before the arrival of the railways. As a result, bricks were typically produced and used close to their place of manufacture. Roofing materials also reflected local resources, with thatch being common until the widespread adoption of clay pantiles.

The key traditional building materials and architectural features within the Conservation Area include:

Walls: Red brick is the predominant material, often featuring remnants of stone walls at the base.

Roofs: Clay pantiles are the most common roofing material, with some examples of Welsh slate. Gable ends generally fall into two categories:

- Small parapet gables
- Plain close verge gables, where the tiles extend to the edge of the brick gable.
- Most chimneys are built into the gable wall.

Windows: Timber sliding sash windows are characteristic, often creating a symmetrical façade. Many retain traditional glazing bars, with arched brick lintels being a distinctive feature.

Doors: Timber doors are typical, with six-panel designs frequently seen on larger properties. Many buildings are positioned close to the road, with doorways often located at the side or rear of the property.

5.2.2 Overall Character

The consistency of materials and overall design, along with variations in individual property layout and scale, complement each other and create an interesting and varied street scene.



Figure 21 - Main Street, loooking West

Note the lack of doors facing the road and the differences in gables with parapet gables on the left and a plain close verge on the right of the foreground buildings. The Main Street is dominated by walls.



Figure 22 - Main Street looking West

5.3 Character Areas

5.3.1 Key Characteristics: Hall and Grounds - Zone 1

Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

This character zone features a picturesque landscape with a lake, open grassland dotted with mature trees, and surrounding woodland with smaller tree clumps. Agricultural fields retain their historic character, enhanced by mature trees and hedgerows that preserve traditional boundaries. The mix of water, greenery, and open vistas creates a sense of seclusion and continuity, reinforcing the area's rural charm within the conservation area.

5.3.2 Key Characteristics: Inholms Road – Zone 2

Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

A tree-lined entrance welcomes visitors to the village, featuring wide grassy verges framed by mature woodland or community open space. This green corridor enhances the rural character and sense of arrival. In contrast, the properties to the north do not contribute to the historic character of the Conservation Area.

5.3.3 Key Characteristics: Village Centre – Zone 3

Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

The character zone exhibits a high degree of enclosure. This is primarily due to the continuous building frontage and boundary walls directly abutting Main Street and Spring Lane. This layout also creates a strong sense of spatial definition along these thoroughfares.

5.3.4 Key Characteristics: Town End Lane - Zone 4

Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

The character zone exhibits a high degree of enclosure. This is primarily due to the continuous building frontage and boundary walls directly abutting Main Street and Spring Lane. This layout creates a strong sense of spatial definition along these thoroughfares.

5.3.5 Key Characteristics: Woods Lane – Zone 5

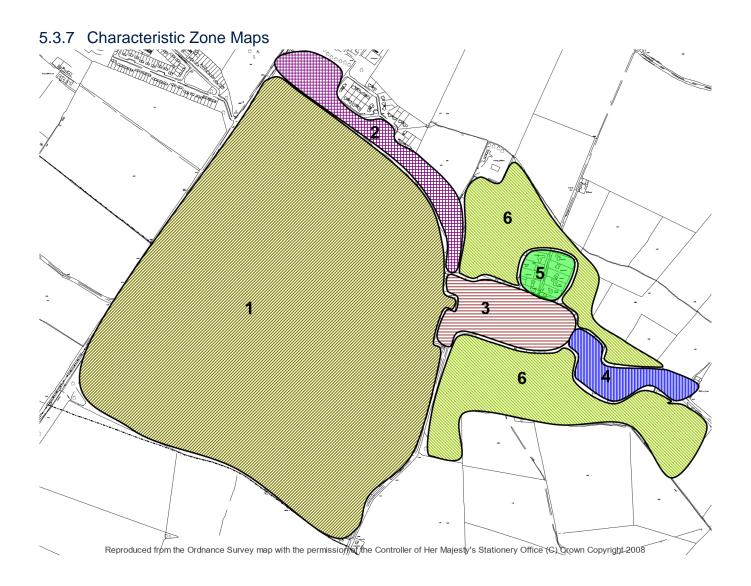
Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

Woods lane area is characterised by residential development of 1970s origin, providing access to a bridleway connecting Flintham and Syerston. Notable features contributing to the lane's distinct character include: substantial grass verges, established hedgerow boundaries, and generously proportioned front gardens.

5.3.6 Key Characteristics: Small Paddocks and Fields – Zone 6

Key Characteristics / Architectural Features:

This area of the village is enclosed by a network of small fields and paddocks. These small areas of land are important to the village's character. Changing the nature of these small fields into larger ones would negatively impact the village's unique feel and appearance. It's important to keep these small fields to maintain this part of the village's current character.



5.4 Listed buildings

Buildings on the Government's List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest are called 'Listed' buildings and are protected by law. Consent is required from Rushcliffe Borough Council before any works of alteration, extension, or demolition can be carried out on any listed building.

Further information can be found in <u>Rushcliffe Borough Council's publication Listed Buildings in Rushcliffe</u>, which is also available online at: https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/planning-growth/conservation/listed-buildings/

The complete and up-to-date list of the <u>Secretary of State's Statutory List of Buildings of Special Architectural Interest or Historic Interest can be found at: https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list</u>

Names of the Listed Buildings and structures in Flintham Conservation Area (correct as of 2023) are detailed in Appendix 1. All Listed Buildings are shown on the Townscape Appraisal plan, but some smaller structures such as gravestones may not be shown.

There are 39 listed buildings or structures in Flintham all being Grade II apart from the Hall and adjoining terrace wall which is Grade I. All the Listed buildings fall within the Conservation Area.

The Hall was based on an earlier Georgian House which was remodelled in 1851 (check date) and encased in Ancaster Stone by the architect T. C. Hine, who was based in Nottingham. The Conservatory is approximately 40 foot high and was modelled on the Crystal Palace (bit about it?). Many of the Hall's ancillary buildings and structures such as the three lodges, ice house, kennels, the walled gardens and garden urns are also listed.

A complete list of all these buildings and structures is provided in Appendix 3. All listed buildings are shown on the appraisal plan, but some of the smaller structures aren't shown.



Figure 23 - Main Street



Figure 24 - Main Street, looking West



Figure 25 - Main Street, looking North



Figure 26 - Main Street, opposite Spring Lane



Figure 27 - Lane from the church looking towards Main Street

5.5 Key Unlisted Buildings

Contribution to the established character of the place can also come from buildings which are not recognised via listing, or are not old. A plan with all of the positive contributions to the area can be found in Appendix 2 - Conservation Area Boundary and Townscape Appraisal Map Rewrite

Almost 50 key unlisted cottages, farmhouses and outbuildings have been identified on the Townscape Appraisal map as having a positive impact on the character of the Conservation Area. The majority of these 18th and 19th Century buildings have a strong relationship with Main Street with many abutting the road or pavements and facing on to the street. This creates a strong sense of place and in a number of instances a sense of enclosure.

6 Generic Management Plan

for Conservation Areas in Rushcliffe

6.1 Introduction

In carrying out its planning functions, the Borough Council is required in law to give special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of Conservation Areas. The Management Plan for a Conservation Area is a tool to ensure the special character of the area is preserved and enhanced. The management plans aim to:

- Outline a strategic management proposal for the preservation and enhancement of the Flintham Conservation Area.
- Act as a guide for professionals and residents alike regarding:
 - o features of value, worthy of preservation
 - o characteristics worthy of preservation
 - o opportunities for enhancement
 - o development proposals which preserve and enhance the special character of the area
- Inspire community commitment to conservation principles and reporting

6.2 National and Local Policies and Guidance

There is a duty to formulate and publish management plans setting out policies and proposals for the preservation and enhancement of Conservation Areas. Many of these policies and proposals are common to all Conservation Areas and these are set out in this document. The Central Government Guidance and Local policies applicable to Conservation Areas include:

- Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy, with a specific focus on:
 - Design and Enhancing Local Identity [in part]
 - o Historic Environment
- Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 2: Development Policies, with a specific focus on:
 - Conserving and Enhancing Heritage Assets
 - Development Affecting Archaeological Sites
- The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), particularly, but not exclusively the chapter on
 - o Conserving and Enhancing the Historic Environment.
- The National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) (updated 2021 and subject to continual review)
- By Design: Urban Design in the Planning System Towards Better Practice (2000)
- The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990
- Historic England 'Historic England Advice Note 1: Conservation Area Designation, Appraisal and Management'

The council will utilise the full range of strategic policy and guidance documents to ensure that development in **Flintham Conservation Area** is of a standard that enhances the amenity of the local area. The council will always look to use the most up to date versions of the document. Define the Council – Rushcliffe, parish?

Supplementary documents may be issued for individual Conservation Areas where specific policies or proposals are needed.

6.3 Article 4 Directions

There are extra consents required in Conservations Areas. For example, in addition to the general control of development, you will need to get permission for

- Any additions or alterations to the roof (for example, dormer windows)
- the installation of satellite dishes on chimneys, roofs or walls fronting a highway
- any extension which extends beyond the side of the original dwelling house
- any extension of more than one storey that extends beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling house
- cladding the exterior of the dwelling
- any demolishing of a building or part of a building that has a volume over 115m³

Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, allows planning authorities to restrict some permitted development rights within particular areas. This does not necessarily prevent development or change taking place but enables the Local Authority to manage the design and detailing of the works, and potentially grant permission subject to appropriate conditions. The use of Article 4 Directions will be proposed where it is considered appropriate following the completion of each Area Appraisal across the borough.

Details of Article 4 Directions for Flintham Conservation Area

There are currently no Article 4
Directions for Flintham Conservation
Area

6.4 Building Design

Mimicking the local vernacular is not the only way to 'fit in' with the character of a conservation area. National policy makes clear that contemporary design provided it is sympathetically designed, cannot be dismissed as an option. Therefore, good contemporary design will be encouraged where it respects the context's character, scale and massing. This must be demonstrated in the Design and Access Statement submitted with any planning application.

Extensions to buildings in Conservation Areas should respect:

- The key characteristics of the original building, including scale, mass, materials and proportions
- The contextual setting and character of the Conservation Area

Copying like for like can devalue and destroy the ability to 'read' historic change, and dilutes our historic heritage. Pastiche designs, incorporating poor imitations of other styles will be resisted, particularly where they incorporate details which are not locally appropriate. Careful high-quality replication may be required in a few very sensitive locations.

In particularly sensitive locations, such as uniform terraces, exact replication may be necessary to maintain compositional unity. In that case, attention to details, choice of materials and high-quality workmanship are the keynotes. However, in some cases a direct relationship is not impossible. For example, Flemish Bond

brickwork cannot be replicated in cavity walls and narrow lime mortar joints cannot be replicated in modern metric brickwork.

Where new building is appropriate, on infill sites or where an existing building detracts from the character of the area, the opportunity should be taken to re-establish the streetscape, reinforce enclosure, open up distant vistas or views of landmarks or hide unsightly views.

"New and old buildings can coexist happily without disguising one as the other, if the design of the new is a response to urban design objectives" (DETR – By Design, p19).

As with extensions, good contemporary design which respects local character, and the context of the site will be encouraged.

All new buildings should respond appropriately to the existing frontage and normally follow the established building line. Development or redevelopment will normally be resisted if:

"it blocks important views identified in the individual appraisals, uses important open spaces identified in the appraisals, adversely affects the setting of any Listed or key buildings, fails to maintain or re-establish the streetscape where appropriate dominates its Conservation Area background fails to recognise the context of the site destroys important features identified in the individual appraisals such as boundary walls, fences, hedgerows or trees"

Where the quantity of contemporary schemes in a small area becomes significant and outnumbers older buildings within the area, further contemporary schemes could fundamentally shift the architectural character of the area and thus be harmful, even if well designed as an individual project.

New development that stands out from the background of buildings may be appropriate in exceptional circumstances if it contributes positively as a landmark to enhance the street scene, to highlight a corner or to signal a visual change of direction such as along a curving vista.

Any external lighting should be carefully designed and sited to minimise light pollution.

Energy producing or saving devices are generally welcomed by the Council, but careful consideration is required when these are to be located in a Conservation Area and some may require planning permission. In particular, they should be positioned to minimise their impact on the building and on the local amenity.

6.5 Publicity and Knowledge Transfer

Ambiguity about additional controls within a Conservation Area raises the likelihood of inappropriate developments occurring which may damage the integrity of the conservation area designations.

Efforts have been made to engage local community groups in the development and review of the character appraisals. Empowering communities to define the special architectural and historic interest of the Conservation Area aims to raise awareness.

Whether the appraisal took a community-led or a council-led approach, upon reviewing all Conservation Areas, the public were

The approach taken within Flintham Conservation Area was **Community Led**

The consultation period took place between the following dates [DD/MM/YYYY] and DD/MM/YYYY]

invited to ask questions and comment during a public consultation. A consultation event also aimed to diminish any ambiguity about restrictions within a Conservation Area and increase the likelihood of sensitive and appropriate developments, maintaining the character of the area.

The council recognise the potential issues of turnover in residency and ownership of properties in the conservation area. Therefore, Rushcliffe Borough Council will periodically use their media outlets to highlight conservation area designations and the significant, related planning controls.

The date of the Consultation Event [DD/MM/YYYY]

If there are any queries about conservation areas, please email conservationareas@rushcliffe.gov.uk

6.6 Public Realm

General maintenance and upkeep to the public realm may include fixing damage to roads and pavements, and fixing issues with street lighting. Issues such as these can impact the quality of the Conservation Area.

The council aims to encourage works to the public realm that are in keeping with, or actively enhance the conservation area. Rushcliffe Borough Council can only advise on work within the public realm that does not require planning permission (for example work completed by statutory undertakers, such as the Highways Authority). In these instances, Rushcliffe borough council cannot prevent such work.

Nottinghamshire County Council is responsible for repairs to roads, pavements and street lighting.

Report damage to roads and pavements to **Nottinghamshire County Council**. This can be done online through the following link - https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/

Rushcliffe Borough Council will continue to undertake their duties in maintaining the public realm. Vandalism, fly tipping and street cleaning are all the responsibility of Rushcliffe Borough Council.

Report issues of vandalism, fly tipping, and street cleaning to **Rushcliffe Borough Council**. This can be done online through the following link - https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/tell-us/

Works to Trees

You must contact the Local Planning Authority (LPA), Rushcliffe Borough Council, before any works (cutting OR pruning) are carried out to trees within the Flintham Conservation Area

Six weeks' notice is required before any works to trees within the Conservation Area is carried out, even if they are not protected by Tree Preservation Order (TPO).

Standard notification forms (a section 211 notice), further information and contact details are available at: https://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/media/lgepdp11/conservation-area-tree-notification.pdf

A flow chart of the decision-making process regarding works to trees is available at: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/77764
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6.7 Boundary Treatments

Where there is a proposal for a new boundary treatment to be installed, the council would encourage the use of boundary treatments within the area. What does this mean?

6.7.1 Walls and Fences

Within conservation areas, planning permission is required to alter, maintain, improve, take down or build any new gate, fence, wall or other enclosure with

- A height of one meter or more if next to a highway (including a public footpath or bridleway), waterway
 or open space; or
- A height of two meters or more elsewhere

Where planning permission is required to remove a wall, Rushcliffe Borough Council will aim to protect those boundary walls and fences that have been identified as positively contributing to the area.

6.7.2 Hedges

Hedgerows are significant habitats for wildlife in lowland Britain. Regulations are intended to protect important hedges in the countryside. The policy applies to hedges that are more than 20m long, (or less if connected to another hedge) on or adjacent to:

- Land used for agriculture or forestry, including the keeping of horses or donkeys
- Registered common land and village greens
- Local Nature Reserves and Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

The policy does not apply if the hedge is within or on the boundary of the curtilage of a house.

6.8 Buildings at risk

A few of the important buildings across the various Conservation Areas are currently vacant or not in regular use, which may lead to some being at risk of neglect or decay.

The Council will encourage and advise on renovation and repair work that is sensitive to the original or traditional historic character of the building and retains original features. The council will monitor the opportunity and potential for grant aid schemes to encourage the basic maintenance work necessary to ensure that key buildings within the conservation area are structurally sound and weather tight. However, given the current financial climate and outlook, such schemes are unlikely in the short to medium term.

There is a presumption against the demolition of buildings which contribute to the character of the area unless there are exceptional circumstances. It would benefit both the physical form and the function of the Conservation Area if these buildings were repaired, maintained and brought back into use.

Where the poor condition of a building or structure is as a result of neglect and lack of maintenance by its owner there is no requirement for the Borough Council to take its deteriorated condition into account when deciding whether demolition is appropriate. This is to avoid rewarding the deliberate neglect of buildings by representing such action as a way to obtain planning permission for demolition and redevelopment.

6.9 Enforcement

Rushcliffe Borough Council will, from time to time, assess and monitor changes in the appearance and condition of Flintham Conservation Area. This will ensure that where necessary enforcement action can be taken promptly to deal with problems as they arise.

Where co-operation cannot be gained by any other means, Rushcliffe Borough Council has the ability to use additional enforcement powers to tackle particular issues within conservation areas. The Council may take formal action if the condition of any building (listed or unlisted) which makes a positive contribution to the character of the Conservation Area is considered to be at risk.

The council will work in accordance with their enforcement policy, which aims to provide an efficient enforcement service in support of the Council's statutory planning service. Rushcliffe Borough Council's enforcement actions will remain transparent, consistent, and proportionate, as it is recognised that effective controls over unauthorised development assists in conserving the natural and built environment whilst helping to protect the quality of people's lives and maintaining the Council's integrity.

7 Appendix 1 – Listed Buildings (as of [Date])

Flintham Pinfold

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243794

National Grid Ref: SK 74655 45720

Location: Flintham Pinfold, Main Street

The Mowbray

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272604

National Grid Ref: SK 74508 45729

Location: The Mowbray, Main Street

Thatch Cottage and Outbuildings

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243791

National Grid Ref: SK 74321 45914

Location: Thatch Cottage and Outbuildings, Main Street

Raspberry Cottage

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243793

National Grid Ref: SK 74274 45905

Location: Raspberry Cottage, Main Street

Netherfield Cottage

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272705

National Grid Ref: SK 74263 45912

Location: Netherfield Cottage, Main Street

Bakery Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243990

National Grid Ref: SK7426745931

Location: Bakery Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings, Main Street

Manor Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272602

National Grid Ref: SK7417645961

Location: Manor Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings, Main Street

Tundyleas Farmhouse and Adjoining Outbuilding

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272704

National Grid Ref: SK7419045992

Location: Tundyleas Farmhouse and Adjoining Outbuilding, Main Street

Farm Buildings and Pigeoncote At College Farm

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272607

National Grid Ref: SK 74188 46033

Location: Farm Buildings and Pigeoncote At College Farm, Main Street

College Farmhouse with Adjoining Outbuilding, Boundary Wall and Water Pump

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272732

National Grid Ref: SK 74148 46010

Location: College Farmhouse with Adjoining Outbuilding, Boundary Wall and Water Pump, Main Street

K6 Telephone Kiosk

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243827

National Grid Ref: SK7412446008

Location: K6 Telephone Kiosk, Main Street

Ivy Cottage

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1244078

National Grid Ref: SK7403945923

Location: Ivy Cottage, Spring Lane

Flintham House And Adjoining Boundary Wall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243792

National Grid Ref: SK 74090 46001

Location: Flintham House And Adjoining Boundary Wall, Main Street

Water Pump And Trough At The Old Bakehouse

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243982

National Grid Ref: SK7410946022

Location: Water Pump And Trough At The Old Bakehouse, Main Street

The Old Bakehouse

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243788

National Grid Ref: SK 74102 46020

Location: The Old Bakehouse, Main Street

Forge Cottage

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272606

National Grid Ref: SK 74080 46022

Location: Forge Cottage, Main Street

Stable Range at Flintham House

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272599

National Grid Ref: SK 74071 46003

Location: Stable Range at Flintham House, Main Street

Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1001080

Park and Garden National Grid Ref: SK 73429 46023

Location:

Flintham Hall And Adjoining Terrace Wall

Grade: I Listing Entry Number: 1272727

National Grid Ref: SK 73839 46104

Location: Flintham Hall And Adjoining Terrace Wall

The Aviaries and Adjoining Garden Walls At Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272730

National Grid Ref: SK7392045931

Location: The Aviaries and Adjoining Garden Walls At Flintham Hall

Garden House with Adjoining Walls And Potting Sheds At Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243783

National Grid Ref: SK 73926 46031

Location: Garden House With Adjoining Walls And Potting Sheds At Flintham Hall

Sundial 120 Metres Southeast Of Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243782

National Grid Ref: SK 73868 46038

Location: Sundial 120 Metres South East Of Flintham Hall

Fountain 45 Metres Southwest of Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272729

National Grid Ref: SK7381046068

Location: Fountain 45 Metres Southwest of Flintham Hall

Garden Urn 50 Metres Southwest of Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243781

National Grid Ref: SK7378846068

Location: Garden Urn 50 Metres Southwest Of Flintham Hall

Service Wing, Bakehouse, Cartshed and Stable With Adjoining Water Pump At Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243779

National Grid Ref: SK 73864 46137

Location: Service Wing, Bakehouse, Cartshed and Stable With Adjoining Water Pump At Flintham Hall

Old School House

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243979

National Grid Ref: SK 74026 46131

Location: Old School House, Inholms Road

Ice House 400 Metres North West Of Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243777

National Grid Ref: SK 73444 46279

Location: Ice House 400 Metres North West Of Flintham Hall

West Lodge at Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272652

National Grid Ref: SK 73433 46599

Location: West Lodge at Flintham Hall

Tree Lodge

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243785

National Grid Ref: SK 73928 46380

Location: Tree Lodge, Inholms Road

Stables With Adjoining Forge, Water Pump and Boundary Wall At Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243778

National Grid Ref: SK 73852 46173

Location: Stables With Adjoining Forge, Water Pump and Boundary Wall At Flintham Hall

Garden Urn 20 Metres West of Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272728

National Grid Ref: SK 73791 46104

Location: Garden Urn 20 Metres West of Flintham Hall

Church Of St Augustine

Grade: I Listing Entry Number: 1272726

National Grid Ref: SK 73882 46104

Location: Church Of St Augustine, Church Lane

The Old Vicarage and Adjoining Outbuilding

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243776

National Grid Ref: SK 73912 46087

Location: The Old Vicarage and Adjoining Outbuilding, Church Lane

Boundary Wall At Church Of St Augustine

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243894

National Grid Ref: SK 73883 46065

Location: Boundary Wall At Church Of St Augustine, Church Lane

Garden House with Adjoining Walls And Potting Sheds At Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243783

National Grid Ref: SK 73926 46031

Location: Garden House with Adjoining Walls And Potting Sheds At Flintham Hall

Flintham House and Adjoining Boundary Wall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243792

National Grid Ref: SK 74090 46001

Location: Flintham House and Adjoining Boundary Wall, Main Street

The Kennels at Flintham Hall

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272731

National Grid Ref: SK 73627 45285

Location: The Kennels at Flintham Hall

Keeper's Lodge

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1243795

National Grid Ref: SK 73689 45234

Location: Keeper's Lodge, Spring Lane

Home Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings

Grade: II Listing Entry Number: 1272583

National Grid Ref: SK 73996 45904

Location: Home Farmhouse and Adjoining Farm Buildings, Spring Lane

^{*} The titles of these listings may not make it clear that all listed buildings always include all attached structures and extensions, regardless of age, and all detached outbuildings built before 1st June

1948 which are, or were at the time of listing, ancillary to the function of the primary listed building and were in the same ownership at the time of listing.

For example, when a house is listed, the listing will apply to extensions, porches, detached historic stables, barns, wash houses, privies etc. Such outbuildings and extensions are only exempt from the provisions of listing where the listing specifically excludes them. Appendix 2 - Conservation Area Boundary and Townscape Appraisal Map

8	Appendix 2 - Map	Conservation	Area E	Boundary	and Tow	nscape i	Appraisal