

accordance with national policy and Historic England's Enabling Development and Heritage Assets, 2020<sup>28</sup>.

- 8.8.14 Heritage assets with archaeological interest are considered to be non-designated heritage assets. In cases where there is evidence that a site may contain significant archaeological interest, in order to inform the development, and to ensure that such remains are taken account of appropriately, the Council will expect appropriate archaeological evaluation to form part of the application.
- 8.8.15 To ensure the value of the historic environment is maintained over the plan period, the Council will continue to review existing local heritage designations, such as conservation areas, and make new designations to protect and conserve built heritage assets, where justified, by appropriate surveys and evidence. Other mechanisms, such as Article 4 Directions, will be used where appropriate, to protect features of historic/architectural importance and to restrict harmful minor alterations.

## **POLICY ST40: The Historic Environment**

1. The historic environment will be conserved and enhanced, sensitively managed, enjoyed and celebrated for its contribution to sustainable communities. Proposals will be supported where they:
  - a) give great weight to the conservation and re-use of designated heritage assets and their settings, including for appropriate temporary use, based on their significance in accordance with national policy;
  - b) make a positive contribution to the character and local distinctiveness of the historic environment, including through the use of innovative design;
  - c) positively conserve or enhance a historic designed landscape;
  - d) maintain, conserve, sustain or return to beneficial use designated or non-designated assets;
  - e) capitalise in an appropriate and sensitive manner the regeneration, tourism and energy efficiency potential of heritage assets;
  - f) positively secure the conservation and re-use of 'at risk' heritage assets;
  - g) improve access and enjoyment of the historic environment where appropriate, particularly where they retain, create or facilitate public access to heritage assets to increase understanding of their significance.
  
2. Applicants will be required to submit evidence in line with best practice and relevant national guidance, examining the significance of any heritage assets affected through a Heritage Statement, including any contribution made by their setting. The level of detail should be proportionate to the asset's significance, and the results submitted to the Nottinghamshire Historic Environment Record. In some circumstances, further survey, analysis and/or recording will be made a condition of consent.

