

Question 19 - The importance of conserving and enhancing heritage assets

Chapter 9 of the Issues and Options reports describes our heritage assets and sets out the positive impacts they can have on our quality of life and local economies. We sought views on how important people thought heritage protection is.

Those who made comment said.

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FS-Case-297785613	Kim Sankey Angel Architecture Ltd	essential	The conservation area appraisals are out of date and therefore are less effective as a result. There are incremental changes which should be recorded and enforcement action that could be taken. This could be tied to the NP plan work since all of these are up to date and contain a heritage assessment.
FS-Case-297949549	Martin Thurgood	essential	You should address in particular the essential need to protect and conserve those heritage assets that are in particular danger of being lost - especially in those locations that are more generally at risk of slowly losing many of their heritage assets through long-term neglect. Once lost, they can never be recreated. The 'Jewels in the Crown' are relatively easy to manage compared to the lesser assets: but the latter require protection, enhancement and regeneration in a way that secures the enhanced heritage status for our built environment to which your policies should be directed.
FS-Case-299521339	mark readman Rockbeare Parish Council	essential	This is contained within Rockbeare Parish Neighbourhood Plan
FS-Case-300714787	Blank - No Name	essential	Too often developers make excuses for not reusing old buildings and they 'mysteriously' go up in flames. Old houses and farms create history and a sense of belonging. To let developers destroy things they should keep is criminal and needs to be treated as such.
FS-Case-300872971	Ian Wasson	essential	Resist very strongly any development outside of BUAB's especially in AONB's
FS-Case-301179421	Mark HUMPHRIES	essential	every tonne of concrete in the ground removes the natural environment, you cannot replace it
FS-Case-301424628	ERIC BOWMAN	essential	THIS IS SO SO IMPORTANT FOR THE PEOPLE OF TODAY AND THE FUTURE
FS-Case-302640746	Hazel Jeffery	veryImporta nt	This should not be at odds with environmental considerations and in being able to make the buildings more sustainable. It is often really painstaking to get any changes made to these heritage assets through the planning process, which means that people owning these properties are less likely to contribute to energy efficiency and renewable energy.
FS-Case-302912562	Paul Gamble	quitelImport ant	It is important but development should not be ruled out where it can be shown to be sensitive to these heritage assets.
FS-Case-303140818	David Buller	essential	We need to conserve & understand our history & heritage, if only to not repeat the mistakes of the past.
FS-Case-303403737	Mr&Mrs Wood	essential	But using them in a more diverse and social manner. ie. Exeter Cathedral - to accommodate the homeless and be used by all major religions.
FS-Case-303734212	Cassie Thornton	essential	We can't lose our history, not only does it bring in tourism but allows local people to remember and enjoy their heritage for generations to come
FS-Case-304172022	Eve Bampton- Wilton	essential	It is important to keep and nurture the qualities that make East Devon unique and special - it is likely that with less holidays abroad people will be looking where to go in the uk and that can work a lot to the advantage of this area.

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FS-Case-304854668	John Catchpole None	essential	I would promote reviews of all conservation areas within towns and villages with a view of expanding them to reflect latest knowledge of our heritage assets.
FS-Case-305076755	Jeff Powley	essential	Heritage assets also include those which your political views should have no influence, such as historic statues.
FS-Case-305714384	Miles Butler	essential	The character of an area is defined in good part by the evidence of its history apparent in its listed buildings, scheduled monuments and other heritage assets. These, and their settings should be protected and enhanced.
FS-Case-306237729	Geoff Crawford	quite important	Quite important but it should not be an overriding objective.
FS-Case-306256851	Simon Rennie		no comment see objective 10 section 12 questions
FS-Case-306274820	Olivia Cooper	essential	But don't preserve historic buildings in aspic, they need to be allowed to develop to function in the modern era.
FS-Case-306308166	Sylvia Meller	not important	Heritage is fine, but if that means we need to build a new house because a derelict one can't be used because it is listed ,then no, we need to live for the future not the past
FS-Case-306915743	Catherine Kingham	essential	We cannot re build ancient heritage and historic buildings/streets. We have a duty to conserve them for the future, maintaining the buildings, and where possible without damaging the original structure, enhancing same.
FS-Case-307126895	Daren Richards	not important	There are plenty of these places for public use so just improve them not make new areas
FS-Case-307482014	G. Millard	essential	see # 17. A good example overall of sympathetic redevelopment, esp' the retention and re-use of The Old Mill. Retaining the old garden wall in front of the Sainsbury's Store in Ottery is another good example.
FS-Case-307693356	Michael Horn	essential	People don't visit East Devon to see the architecture of Cranbrook.
FS-Case-308049835	Peter Duncan	quite important	Retain heritage assets if cost effective to do so, but not just because it would be preferable.
FS-Case-308058616	Carol Royal	essential	But it cannot be achieved through excess building. Many times heritage sites become ungainly squeezed between new developments. Not good.
FS-Case-308071816	Gillian Cameron-Webb n/r	essential	I totally agree that heritage assets be conserved and enhanced but we also need to remember that today's new installations are tomorrow's heritage asset. Street furniture for instance. E.g. in Newton Poppleford two old bus shelters were replaced with ugly, urban bus shelters that are totally out of keeping with the predominantly cob and thatch street scene. Other street furniture includes street lights where there seems to be a preponderance for modern style, surely there are some designs that are more in keeping and attractive?
FS-Case-308111547	janice watkins	quite important	It may not be appropriate to conserve all heritage assets, conservation should be on merit and to meet local needs.
FS-Case-308177703	Judith Ferrier	essential	This means to me that the surroundings of these assets should not be ruined by unnecessary building of any sort
FS-Case-308210121	Cariad Eccleston	not important	If we're going to survive this brave new world, we need to let go of the past somewhat.
FS-Case-308256653	Della Cannings	essential	Currently things are being destroyed by smokeless huge developments, cramming in of housing into traditional open spaces, damage to green field sites.

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FS-Case-308268315	Tracy Simmons Cranbrook Town Council	essential	Whilst conserving and enhancing heritage assets is important, there has to be a pragmatic approach when an asset is no longer of heritage value.
FS-Case-308288718	Emily Davis	essential	<p>East Devon has a been occupied for several thousand years by humans. There is already history that has been lost by inappropriate building work over the last 100 years. Our history is a huge boon to tourism and should be celebrated. We have the start of the Jurassic Coast here, Roman workings and occupation, Smuggling, Cromwell was briefly in Ottery, Jane Austen in Lyme Regis, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Ottery St Mary church being one of the oldest religious sites in the whole of East Devon, men who went to war from here for the last 500 years. And there is a lot more still to be uncovered.</p> <p>The history of the Exe Estuary is long and varied.</p> <p>Cottage industries of the type practiced - smithing, thatching, cobb-building, small sea-fishing etc should be helped and celebrated.</p> <p>We Wassail, roll Tar Barrels, farm, and fish. And the tourists love it as much as we do and our economy needs their money.</p>
FS-Case-308326362	Peter Eastwood N/A	essential	Vital !
FS-Case-308406499	Alan Franklin	quiteImportant	Planners generally are more concerned with preserving rather than conserving old properties. Our buildings have been added to and changed over centuries to take account of changes to requirements which add to their appeal. Now planners want to stop any changes to old buildings. Preserving a few as museum pieces may be OK but not those that are in constant use. For example, energy conservation is the current requirement and so it is important that changes to reflect this are allowed. In particular it is absurd that there are restrictions on double glazing on some residential properties.
FS-Case-308410804	David Forward Domestic	quiteImportant	Heritage should be preserved in such a way it can also be of public benefit not left as a decaying ruin of no use.
FS-Case-308520714	Peter Brain	quiteImportant	The conservation of such assets (buildings or views) should remain the responsibility of the listing body (including English Heritage and national Trust). No need for another pro-active role for the District Council in this.
FS-Case-308546698	Noel Allan	essential	Keep the history alive; provide areas of interest and pride in heritage.
FS-Case-308618646	Christopher Eccles	quiteImportant	but balanced with economic sense and allowing for progress
FS-Case-308638086	Robin Barker	essential	We need East Devon to retain its individuality and character, not become a 'clone zone'
FS-Case-308861482	Sophie Cook	veryImportant	I think its important to preserve some heritage but not just because something has been there a long time!!
FS-Case-308895922	Diana Wynn	veryImportant	I feel it is important to preserve our heritage, along the lines of the listed building initiative, and to save our green spaces.
FS-Case-308930499	Lisa Bowman Exmouth Town Council	essential	Members would like to see more heritage assets preserved, conservation areas expanded and for Coastal Preservation Zones to be preserved.

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FS-Case-309114723	Robert Anthony	essential	We must conserve and enhance our heritage assets and improve and encourage access to those assets for all.
FS-Case-309142890	Camilla Mathison	veryImportant	Our future generations should know the history of their surroundings.
FS-Case-309293778	Paul Smith	veryImportant	Heritage assets, can do much to identify the history, culture and defining character of a location both past and present. It can inform the natural ambiance, focus and uniqueness of the location. In many cases confirming the routes of the local populous a feeling of well being, and importantly an attraction to visitors.
FS-Case-309318809	SUSAN AVIS	veryImportant	Heritage assets which are businesses may be over restricted by their current planning consents. A morre liberal attitude by planners may be needed, especially as business recovers from the pandemic.
FS-Case-309385676	Roger Pell	quiteImportant	saving things just because they are old , is wrong .
FS-Case-309401093	Philip Jordan	veryImportant	I would have pout absolutely essential, but sometimes an old building, as in the old EDDC offices at Sidmouth, need to be pulled down.
FS-Case-309456508	Ian Birch	essential	My big bugbear is that in current practice, conservation considerations trump other factors such as energy efficiency and building security. So in general, you probably won't get permission to (e.g.) change windows on a listed building, even if they are rotting iron-framed and single-glazed. This has to change!! Whilst this may stick in the craw of architectural wonks with a fine eye for such detail, I suspect most folk would prefer to see a building that is weatherproof, standing, cared for by its current owner, and fulfilling its purpose as a dwelling. People have always modified their properties to suit their living needs. Heritage assets should not be an exception.
FS-Case-309478869	Rosemary Birch	essential	As Chapter 9 suggests, E. Devon IS its heritage assets. They are the reason why many people choose to live and work in East Devon and why so many people like to visit as tourists. So conserving and enhancing is essential although I would like to add that we should also remember that we live in the 21st century so we should be able to take advantage of new technologies or designs that improve our lives. These assets are not set in aspic and they should be allowed to develop with care and thought to fit in with modern times and expectations. More emphasis on 'enhancing' perhaps!
FS-Case-309529320	John Stuckey	notImportant	Only if the value of the asset generates excess income over cost of retention.
FS-Case-309560982	Helen Dimond	essential	It would be useful to have adopted conservation area management policies for all conservation areas - (Lympstone has now been waiting 7 years for such a policy to be adopted following consultation in 2014!). Where extra controls such as Article 4 directions are made they should be enforced, otherwise there is no point in going to the trouble to make them.
FS-Case-309588076	Carol Jay Transition Exmouth	veryImportant	I've already mentioned net biodiversity gain and enabling zero carbon lifestyles - but we'll keep saying it! In our view it outweighs every other consideration. What deeper heritage do we have than a living planet?
FS-Case-309775222	Cheryl Wood	essential	We also need to address ugly buildings in town centres which dominate the landscape. A prime example being Fosseyway Court in Seaton. Why hasn't this redevelopment started? what is causing the delay?
FS-Case-309879551	David Goodfellow	veryImportant	Heritage is important but there needs to be a perspective taken and guidance given on "classes" (classification) of heritage assets. It is not unknown for a major development (roads, housing etc) to have been held up for several years - and millions of pounds costs - for a heritage asset that is relatively common in the area and thus need not have caused such delays.
FS-Case-310327426	Amy Roberts Bell Cornwell LLP	veryImportant	New local plan policies must have due regard to the protection of the district's heritage assets. Notwithstanding this, the wording of any new policies must be given careful consideration in recognition that certain heritage assets have redevelopment potential that could secure their long-term protection. Development management policies must provide opportunities for such heritage

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			assets, particularly those with lower levels of designation, to be readapted for use in a sensitive way.
FS-Case-310456969	Penny Kurowski	essential	It would be helpful to provide education and information to communities to help them conserve and enhance their heritage assets.
FS-Case-310604804	Sarah Alana Sayers Farringdon Parish Council	essential	Farringdon Neighbourhood Plan "Proposals for development which have the potential to affect a heritage asset will need to identify their likely impact relative to its significance. Any harm will be weighted against the merits and benefits of the proposed development."
FS-Case-310675340	Bec Davey Axmouth Parish Council	essential	The village and harbour need to be protected as they are both within an AONB and need to avoid building on flood plains and avoid further damage to existing listed buildings by reinstating a weight limit for vehicles passing through the village.
FS-Case-311441601	Janet Andrews	essential	I think it is our duty to preserve our heritage for future generations. In addition, with enhancement, heritage sites could be tourist attractions, bringing people to the area to boost the local economy. Heritage sites are a great resource for schools and help us all to feel a part of the area in which we live.
FS-Case-311523569	Kevin Clarke	essential	But this should be proportionate to the asset and it's local surroundings, linked to long term sustainability and good design
FS-Case-311530475	Jon Brown	essential	It is absolutely essential that we conserve and enhance our heritage assets, however it is equally important that we allow the use of new technologies and methods to enable this to happen. Too often we insist on retaining the heritage in such a way that is unaffordable and results in decay rather than conservation and enhancement - I recognise that this is a difficult balance, but a rigid approach can result in the loss of an asset.
FS-Case-311676977	Rosalind Fox	essential	East Devon has a particularly rich cultural heritage which should be preserved where at all possible as these assets reveal our social agricultural and industrial heritage. They are not only vital relics of the past but can also inspire future designs.
FS-Case-311693209	Jeremy Woodward Vision Group for Sidmouth	essential	Heritage assets are key on many levels: "Using the historic environment as an asset, and giving it new life, has been one of the cornerstones of the economic and social revival of our towns and cities." https://tinyurl.com/nubebtxk The Sid Valley has more listed buildings than anywhere in Devon, apart from Exeter: https://tinyurl.com/s2tn2hk6 An essential part to recognising the value of heritage assets is to undertake a local list; the SVA has been working with EDDC on its Heritage Strategy and Local Heritage Assets programme: https://tinyurl.com/smtm4tcj and https://tinyurl.com/bhzhzurt However, due to lack of resources, this is not progressing: https://tinyurl.com/uxr4uw8n The Issues and Options devotes several pages to this issue; EDDC must decide if it can provide resources to realise its ambition.
FS-Case-311868155	Martin Dowse	veryImportant	Its important but I fear that each generation will change its focus as time moves on?
FS-Case-312069863	Alison Beresford	essential	No more new housing, or modern conversions of barns, should be allowed around or beside any more listed buildings, reducing their historic significance forever.
FS-Case-312095051	Terry Darrant	essential	Heritage assets are unique and irreplaceable and are an integral part of an area's identity. More should be done to enforce against the owners of such assets which are not properly maintained through either enforcement or grant funding
FS-Case-312251067	Neal Jillings Place Land Ltd	veryImportant	Important, but only part of the general planning balance (although I understand the point regarding the statutory element of the protection of heritage assets)
FS-Case-312255566	Stephen sadler	essential	We need stronger enforcement of Conservation area rules, we need to reduce traffic in the historic areas in town so the community and tourists can take in the historic character -

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FS-Case-3123179 17	Steven Walton	essential	Planning officers will need to ensure that developments around these sites do not cause local anguish and detract from the property being conserved. Conserved properties will require planning approval to upgrade insulation and heating systems to modern standards otherwise they will become uninhabitable
FS-Case-3124493 88	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-3124829 44	Peter Bowler NA	essential	Leave well alone. Do not permit the tearing down of old, but well designed properties for some facile modern fixation such as saving the planet.
FS-Case-3126558 34	Theresa Sanders	essential	As mentioned in previous answers.
FS-Case-3127264 61	Anthony Bevan N/A	essential	Every effort should be made to protect heritage assets from the damage done by traffic, especially heavy vehicles.
FS-Case-3127439 67	Dee Woods	essential	Involve communities in heritage work and enhancement schemes.
FS-Case-3127440 56	Christina Skinner	essential	Work with current heritage companies etc to ensure important heritage sites are saved and how this can be implemented.
FS-Case-3127811 79	Carine Silver	quiteImportant	Heritage is important, but not at a cost to the environment. So retrofitting old buildings with sympathetic windows/insulation etc is very important too.
FS-Case-3127936 96	Margaret Hall West Hill Parish Council	essential	Good design should incorporate sensitivity to local heritage assets. Heritage cannot be frozen in time – good design should be encouraged to sensitively adapt old buildings for today's needs.
FS-Case-3128698 06	PHILIP LOAT	quiteImportant	It is subjective. Is heritage an ugly 1960s concrete building or an ugly town centre shopping centre?
FS-Case-3131556 65	Catherine Dandridge	essential	Local heritage is attractive to tourists & helps to support this industry however there are quite a few of empty/derelict sites that appear not to be used or alternative use identified. These need to be utilised to prevent unnecessary new builds but perhaps the costs are prohibitive for the owner due to listed building status. EDDC must support old buildings (including churches) being adapted for different use for local community & in doing so retains heritage.
FS-Case-3131988 06	Vicki Whatley	quiteImportant	What about 'creating' a heritage building, using the old styles, materials etc for future generations, using the idea of Castle Drogo - 'the youngest castle' in existence, though not on that scale, that future children can help create and use into the future.
FS-Case-3132338 11	Phil Golder	veryImportant	Heritage is important for tourism and buildings with age and character are more enjoyable to live amongst. I am aware of examples of older houses being replaced with a block of flats, and can see that this is beneficial if the new property is used to create affordable homes. Our heritage assets would be better protected with improved use of existing housing stock by reducing empty buildings and second homes.
FS-Case-3132690 10	stephen haynes	essential	LOCAL PLAN SHOULD REVIEW RIGHTS OF WAY AND ACCESS. For example, there are far too many footpaths in East Devon still classified as "roads" and therefore open to access by motorised vehicles such trail bikes and 4 x 4s. Such routes should be reassessed with a view to regrading as many as possible to footpaths and bridlepaths only.

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FS-Case-313459444	Mike Allen EDDC	veryImportant	heritage assets are an important part of what makes our area an outstanding attraction and a high quality place to live
FS-Case-313468624	Caroline Dartnall	quiteImportant	Don't throw away money maintaining buildings that cannot be usable spaces in the modern world.
FS-Case-313523282	Gary Barlow	veryImportant	Only where there is a specific gain or need to do so. For example the insistence that listed buildings can't have modern windows fitted, even if made to the same style is one of the many ridiculous rules that exist and needs to be done away with. If you want people to live in a healthy environment then they should be allowed to have some modern touches that allows them to live healthily and not with damp and mould in their houses, just because those houses were built a while ago.
FS-Case-313529843	Simon Spencer Simon Spencer MCIAT	quiteImportant	All buildings have to have a use in order to survive. The Conservation for Conservations sake is not real, and new uses have to be sensibly and constructively considered, and even changes considered reasonably.
FS-Case-313533757	Patrick Sinnott	essential	Encourage local historical societies and groups to get involved in any project with a heritage component
FS-Case-313542858	Judith Heathcock	essential	Conservation is essential. Sites should be identified and listed in the documentation. Then these sites should be monitored.
FS-Case-313560398	Elaine Tant	veryImportant	It is important to conserve as much of a towns heritage as is possible. These buildings are what gives a place a sense of identity and of its historical story. As far as possible they should be incorporated into any new planning and development - which should be in keeping with the ethos of the area.
FS-Case-313579157	Timothy Brown	essential	I am disappointed by the Council's failure to protect listed buildings from inappropriate alterations, demonstrated by the number of windows being replaced by UPVC. The number of conservation officers should be increased.
FS-Case-313584761	Richard Norman Musbury Barn	essential	However planning needs to be careful to encourage the 'sensible' application of Graded buildings changes; historically changes have been made to what are now listed buildings and too often in recent times questions have been dealt with in restrictive rather than sensible ways; Plan to not discourage change!
FS-Case-313608804	Susan Child	essential	These things, once lost are irreplaceable.
FS-Case-313618009	Elizabeth Twining	veryImportant	We have to recognise that finding new uses for heritage buildings is often the only way to ensure their survival.
FS-Case-313672954	Brian Ward	essential	More protection for conservation areas.
FS-Case-313678330	june glennie	essential	very important for Devon
FS-Case-313698487	Craig Daley	quiteImportant	An area of interest that can be exploited for gain for the region should be preseverd, but if a heritage site is an eyesore, and where just keeping it because of what it used to do, and not what it does today, then get rid
FS-Case-313710620	Jacqueline Cox	essential	Be careful that policy does not limit the usefulness of a building. If the requirement for conservation means that the building has no economic value the asset could be lost.
FS-Case-313718525	Robert Maynard	essential	The following objectives need to be addressed in the Plan: objectives to: 1. Conserve and enhance Devon's Landscape , coast and cultural heritage 2. Conserve and enhance biodiversity and protect wildlife habitats 3. Improve the environment, by improving safety, reducing connection and enhancing townscape 4. Preserve and enhance open space and access to the countryside

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			5. Provide for new development where it would not conflict with the needs to conserve and enhance the special environment and heritage of Devon.
FS-Case-3137710 26	John Connolly	essential	The emerging Local Plan refers to "East Devon List of Local Heritage Assets" as the basis of identifying locally important historic assets. However only one village has so far undertaken the survey to generate such a local list. It seems unlikely that all locations will have a list prior to EDDC generating the next draft of the Emerging Plan. Relying on existing conservation areas and listed buildings is too narrow a definition as is clear from the EDDC description of the process being used to generate local contributions to the East Devon List of Local Heritage Assets Until each town has generated its own survey, EDDC should refer to the existing Neighbourhood Plans definition of their historic assets. For Exmouth there is a clear description of all the major historic assets in Exmouth NP pages 52 - 57. It is a fact that some assets such as Bystock Village have only been saved from development by virtue of being outside the current BUAB.
FS-Case-3137800 58	Megan Lowe	essential	There is no mention of landscape here - East Devon is home to some incredibly valuable habitats such as lowland heathland and the Jurassic Coast. These are older than buildings and need protecting too.
FS-Case-3138126 06	Richard Bates	essential	But I can't think of many.
FS-Case-3138572 11	Linda Johnson	veryImportant	ensure balance between conservation and appropriate development, that conservation doesn't exclude development in especially in rural areas
FS-Case-3139970 24	Richard Holman	veryImportant	The EDDC has a lot of these type of assets and they should be looked after. however this should be kept apart from the needs for development and infrastructure.
FS-Case-3139997 89	Jayne Blackmore	essential	Listed buildings, monuments, other heritage sites are essential to retaining the character and essence of each community
FS-Case-3140901 47	Rob Longhurst	essential	People come to Devon to visit for these things - loose them abnd all wse are left with is beaches!!
FS-Case-3141131 14	Caroline Wilson Chardstock Parish Council	essential	The maintenance of heritage assets should include the retention of thatched roofs, which contribute considerably to the character of many of our villages. Control of street lighting, including a flexible approach to limiting light spill, also improves the quality of life, for people and for wildlife, by allowing for dark skies.
FS-Case-3141732 37	Malcolm Hillier	essential	Most church buildings are underused during weekdays and the community should be encouraged to consider using them for social meetings and other communal activities
FS-Case-3141814 50	Iain Ure	quiteImportant	We cannot live in a museum so this needs to be balanced and appropriate policy.
FS-Case-3142175 29	Don Mildenhall	essential	Perhaps with a wider definition of heritage assets
FS-Case-3142613 71	David Valentine Gittisham Parish Council	essential	Policy for control of development in or adjacent to conservation areas must require that the development conserves and/or enhances the special qualities found in the conservation area. Similarly, development affecting a Listed Building should be sympathetic to the Listed Building.
FS-Case-3142782 50	Keith Bungay	essential	Suggest pursue a 3 pronged approach - Identify areas/buildings of value, safeguard these values through planning control and, as appropriate, trigger funding to safeguard those at risk and, finally, promote conservation enhancement schemes where appropriate
FS-Case-3143454 92	Martyn Smith Feniton	essential	Protecting listed buildings, scheduled monuments, other heritage assets and their settings is critical to retaining the character and essence of our communities.

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FS-Case-314437283	Jacqui Baldwin	essential	Heritage assets should be protected as part of the identity and history of the local area.
FS-Case-314606312	RICHARD GETLIFFE	quite important	times have changed, some heritage is expensive and inappropriate
FS-Case-314622730	Timothy Legg	essential	What is happening with Tillhouse Farm? It is currently falling derelict amongst Cranbrook.
FS-Case-314646596	Alex Pryor	essential	A note to point out that sympathetically restoring buildings we already have will mostly result in a lower carbon footprint than demolishing and building from scratch.
FS-Case-314735839	Heloise Marlow Honiton Town Council	essential	Extend the Conservation Area and review the list of Non-Designated Heritage Assets.
FS-Case-314758581	Peter Ball Kilmington Parish Council	essential	Follow Village Design Statements and Neighbourhood Plans better and listen to Parish Councils when they make comments on planning applications as they know the local area and heritage assets better to enable preservation of heritage, creating pleasant walking routes etc. Encourage local councils to make a review of potential conservation areas and local heritage assets. Provide programmes to encourage community involvement in local history via internet, access to records etc. Devon support of local history groups has been good to date.
FS-Case-314771914	Ian Cherry	very important	Local opinion should determine whether a heritage asset should be conserved rather than a dictate being given from a non-local source which may be based simply on the age of the asset or a personal bias one way or another.
FS-Case-314782794	Nicola Daniel	essential	Local Heritage Assets Lists must be reviewed and adopted. Policies in Conservation Areas must be adhered to. Enforcement must be addressed.
FS-Case-314894688	John Colby	essential	Some C20 buildings/heritage should not be overlooked
FS-Case-314910549	James Barnes-Phillips	essential	Stop the destruction of our beautiful built heritage and replacing it with out of character modern monsters.
FS-Case-314921504	robert wiltshire	essential	These are our history and culture.
FS-Case-314937410	Eleonore Pang	essential	Make sure planning applications are strictly taking note and abide.
FS-Case-314963509	Trudi Franklin	quite important	But also have to look forward as well as protecting historic matters
FS-Case-314973273	Susan Vagg	essential	Planning laws for listed buildings should be updated to improve energy efficiency. e.g allow double glazing via approved suppliers
FS-Case-315078619	David Venner	essential	We have already lost a major part of the heritage of Ottery St Mary, which with some forward thinking, courage and common sense could have seen a heritage centre, with working water mill, combined with youth facilities, a museum, riverside cafe and other services, bringing with it employment, youth services and income to the local economy. Alas it is now too late for this, so it is essential that any new "Town Plan" does more than pay lip service to conservation and heritage.

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FS-Case-315100989	Elaine Wade	essential	Undesignated buildings and areas: I think that local people should suggest these as mostly it is important to the history of a place or village.
FS-Case-315126013	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-315136864	Jill Butler	essential	Listed buildings and scheduled monuments (including their settings) help define and determine an area's essential character. These buildings and monuments and their settings should be protected and enhanced. Listed buildings and monuments should not be surrounded by inappropriate development and/or housing.
FS-Case-315148483	Sara Arthur	essential	In order to remain a unique area we need to conserve and enhance our heritage.
FS-Case-315168747	Liz Shortland	essential	As stated previously there are derelict sites in Ottery where pressure should be put on owners to renovate/refurbish. Really important to retain our heritage sites. There is so much to see in East Devon..
FS-Case-315216760	Elizabeth Campbell	essential	This does not mean we preserve in cotton wool but also allow them to grow and develop in a sensitive manner under the same ethos as designing beautiful and healthy spaces and buildings - there are many examples of sensitive but stunningly modern extensions to old buildings which do not diminish but enhance the old. We need to show creativity.
FS-Case-315262947	Sam Scriven Jurassic Coast Trust	essential	It should be noted, that for the purposes of policy in this area, World Heritage Sites are considered designated heritage assets. Even the Jurassic Coast, which is a natural world heritage site, falls into this policy set. this must come through in the plan.
FS-Case-315275424	Rob Phillips Broadhembury Neighbourhood Community Land Trust (BNCLT)	essential	Yes, this is absolutely essential. Additionally, we recommend that not only the asset itself is conserved, but also the setting it is in should be conserved. This setting aspect is, we consider, to be the meaning of 'enhancing' in the phrase 'conserving and enhancing'.
FS-Case-315449037	Darren Roberts East Devon District Council, Central Planning	essential	Local lists are important. Many individual architects have shaped the look of towns in East Devon - Sampson in Sidmouth, Carr in Beer, Mark Rolle in the Otter Valley. There may be a need to identify these buildings and give guidance on alterations
FS-Case-315539551	Gary Parsons Sport England		no comment
FS-Case-315622017	Robert Martin Clyst Honiton Parish Council	essential	<p>This is a beautiful part of the country. The Local Plan is just a way of delivering houses, but it has an important role in ensuring the things that make it beautiful are not discarded.</p> <p>Clyst Honiton has had a close relationship with the Airport since it was first formed and there are assets on the current Skypark site that have to be preserved as an ongoing reminder of the important role it has played during the wars. In particular the Fighter Pen and Hamilton Fort are earmarked for preservation which might not happen without specific mention in the Local Plan.</p>

East Devon is a tourist and visitor destination and the local plan has a very

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			important role as guardian to conserve and enhance built heritage.
			Policies need to include landscapes as heritage assets. The form and shape of the countryside are just as important as the built heritage assets as Historic England does. This is not well served under a natural environment label.
			Policies need to support heritage led regeneration
FS-Case-315627773	Ed Moffatt Diocese of Exeter	essential	Conservation and enhancement are important, but so is a realistic and flexible approach on the part of the planning authority when the original use of an asset has expired.
FS-Case-315678300	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	quite important	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-315681467	Jacqui Best	essential	It is essential as the Council has a statutory duty, when considering proposals, to conserve and enhance nationally listed buildings in a way that helps to sustain and enhance their significance. The historic environment has an important role to play in mitigating climate change and meeting net zero targets. It is preferable to recycle old buildings, with their embodied carbon, through retrofitting, than to rebuild new (see answer to Q 7). It is estimated in England that 80% of buildings that will exist in 2050 have already been built. Heritage assets have a greater value when restored and retrofitted sensitively, rather than being devalued by using inappropriate materials. Working with partners and communities can help to conserve and enhance our heritage including historic town centres, bringing social and economic benefits.
FS-Case-315685113	Lauren James MMO	essential	Aligns with our Heritage policy within the South Marine Plan.
FS-Case-315804855	Sophie Minter	essential	Our old and beautiful buildings provide a social and anthropological context for our lives which enhances wellbeing. They should be protected, cared for and used appropriately, even if that may mean a change of use at times. They can often provide shared spaces to bring together communities and be enjoyed across all ages. Our heritage assets are not only grand buildings but include, for example, fishermen's cottages, farm buildings or boatsheds adding character and richness to the Devon landscape. Their appeal also contributes to the tourist economy.
FS-Case-315884481	stephen moore Mr	essential	Conserving heritage assets is very important but this should sit alongside the need to retain hedgerows, woodland, planted areas, green spaces etc. These areas should be given stronger protection for our mental health, wellbeing and protection of visual amenity / landscape character.
FS-Case-315892586	Carolyn Bowles	essential	Unfortunately, in Honiton in the last few years we have lost some buildings of historical importance which were knocked down for new building
FS-Case-315937332	Fiona Anderson	very important	I do notice that our historic buildings mean we have a lot of very narrow streets where it is uncomfortable to walk when large lorries pass by (eg Axminster) - so lets not be stupid about preserving an old bank or warehouse of moderate heritage value
FS-Case-315961800	David & Mrs Wendy Lewis	essential	We think this must be done on a case by case basis - would it be fair to say that some historic buildings are perhaps past their sell-by date for most people and no longer enhance the environment?
FS-Case-315967632	David Daniel	essential	Conservation areas must be conserved better than at the moment

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FS-Case-315984133	Daphne CURRIER	essential	Building a higher building than the one next to it is a problem- this new one can then be taken as a 'norm' for further high buildings and change the nature of a place. Planning drift. Plans passed which actually have a different purpose concealed within the original proposal. Exmouth's new "Watersports Centre" contains retail and is 60% a restaurant. Residents wanted splash pools for children and maybe a new Lido as well as surfing and paddle boarding activities. I'm sure it will be a success but it does not seem to be what it was purported to be. Conserving the heritage of an area can be done in tandem with the introduction of new ideas- see the Tate art gallery in St. Ives. Town trails - good ! Removing the old to install the new can spoil the nature of a place. Some re-purposing takes a public building into private hands- churches are an example. This can be good if it keeps a handsome building in place. The new is vital but must be sensitively done.
FS-Case-315991192	Susan Clarke	veryImportant	Hit the developers if they "accidentally" kill a mature tree which they often do and get away with.
FS-Case-316012030	Beatrix Godfrey	essential	It is part of our tourism appeal which is an important area of employment in East Devon and could attract tourists out of season as well.
FS-Case-316012231	Terry Sweeney	essential	A vital aspect of quality of life, and pride in place. Please can you approve the Conservation Area proposed in the Uplyme NP? It would encourage sympathetic management and restoration. Thank you.
FS-Case-316014168	Nick Hookway	essential	In East Devon there has been a tendency to allow for the replacement of older buildings without considering how such buildings contribute to local history and culture.
FS-Case-316019433	Jennifer Morgan	essential	Conserving heritage assets is vital. Enhancing should only be carried out appropriately and in keeping.
FS-Case-316023654	lauren allan	veryImportant	More heritage assets could be enhanced by linking them with other improvements needed. For example, a road improvement could include a charging facility and car park/sanitary facility that also housed the community market stall concept that could sell produce to those visiting the heritage asset.
FS-Case-316035390	Daniel Lazar Membury Parish Council	essential	Common sense should be applied so listed and other old buildings that do not meet modern standards can be made more efficient e.g. double and secondary glazing, addition of air source heat pumps, replacement of oil tanks, addition of greenhouses - all subject to suitable screening.
FS-Case-316054109	Martin Sawyer	essential	The East Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty should be extended to include the whole geographic area of the Axe Valley.
FS-Case-316056741	Helene Jessop RSPB		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We recommend proposals such as restoration and promotion of heritage assets should include appropriate assessment of any impacts on biodiversity and how any such impacts can be avoided, mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated, and also how any restoration or re-development proposals can provide net gain for nature. • Impacts may arise from vegetation removal as part of restoration and there may be potential for damage to sensitive habitats and species of principal importance and protected nature conservation sites arising from increased visitor numbers to some heritage assets if these are not appropriately controlled and managed. • Some older buildings have crevices etc that provide nest and roost sites for birds such as swifts, house martins and house sparrows and bats. It is important in any renovation or redevelopment to ensure that, as well as meeting legal requirements to avoid impact on nesting birds and bat roosts, these sites are retained/replaced.
FS-Case-316127402	Eleanor Rylance	quiteImportant	Buildings need to continue to work for the people and the environment. There's no point fetishising and preserving old buildings unless they can be made to work for how we live now. We shouldn't prioritise buildings built by people who are long-dead over living, breathing, existing people and their children.
FS-Case-316127687	Lisa Turner Blackdown Hills AONB Partnership	veryImportant	Crucial to sense of place

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FS-Case-316135438	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-316136353	Bill Horner Historic Environment Team, Devon County Council	essential	The Plan should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the Historic Environment (NPPF 185) not just Built Heritage. The Plan should refer to the need for the heritage impact of developments to be appropriately assessed against the Devon County Historic Environment Record - as is required by NPPF 189. This section of the Plan should make greater reference to the range of undesignated Heritage Assets, in addition to nationally designated and Locally Listed Assets. Also the importance of historic/cultural landscapes such as the AONBs and the World Heritage Site as well as undesignated landscape. The Plan should contain detail on how the Historic Environment will be conserved and enjoyed and loss mitigated. The subsequent section on the Natural Environment contains a lot of such detail. For example the heritage section could refer to the opportunities to deliver conservation and enjoyment through integrated/multifunctional Green Infrastructure and Green Space.
FS-Case-316153559	Jacqueline Green	essential	Heritage is quickly trashed. One example: Exmouth seafront's quirky and much used Elizabeth Hall (named after a well-loved monarch!) has been replaced by a Premier Inn.
FS-Case-316158325	Paul Hayward Personal View only	essential	Protect at all costs. Once they are gone, they'll never come back. Kit Malthouse MP stated that the homes of today might be the heritage buildings of tomorrow at a CPRE event. I laughed so much I spilt my coffee.
FS-Case-316159794	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-316181550	Deborah Griffiths Devon Archaeological Society	essential	The Plan should be as robust on setting out positive measures for the conservation of archaeology, historic buildings and historic landscapes as it is for the natural environment. Much of the natural environment is historic as well. Local Lists tend to be a vehicle for protecting historic buildings, rather than archaeological sites, monuments and historic landscapes. The Plan needs to contain more detail on how the wider undesignated historic environment will be protected. The Plan should refer to the need to use the Devon Historic Environment Record to assess the impacts of development on the historic environment. It is important to include opportunities to protect and enhance the historic environment, including archaeology, when looking at Green Infrastructure and open space. This section of the plan should mention that protected landscapes (AONBs, World Heritage Site) are also very important for the quality of their archaeology, historic buildings and historic landscape character.
FS-Case-316188495	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.

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FS-Case-316240170	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt	veryImportant	As laid out in the NPPF (para. 184), plans should set out a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of the historic environment. Policies should reflect the great weight that should be afforded to the conservation of these assets. However, policies should also be focused on the delivery of new development that is respectful to heritage assets rather than discouraging development that may be considered to be within the setting of an asset. By encouraging respectful development in the locality of heritage assets, they will be enjoyed more, increasing education of their importance, and thus their long-term conservation.
FS-Case-316255332	Matthew Sherwood	essential	Protecting listed buildings, scheduled monuments, other heritage assets and their settings is critical to retaining the character and essence of our communities.
FS-Case-316333576	Rosalind Leveridge	essential	They help to give Devon its special character. Absolutely vital that we protect and maintain them, not just because of their specific role in promoting tourism, and thus the economy, but also because they are irreplaceable.
FS-Case-316371196	Josie Denning	essential	Protecting listed buildings, scheduled monuments, other heritage assets and their settings is critical to retaining the character and essence of our communities.
FS-Case-316444654	Eva Ingleson	essential	WE need to preserve what East Devon is known for - its natural beauty
FS-Case-316577757	Ron Metcalfe	essential	once it's gone it's gone!
FS-Case-323231602	Gordon Hodgson	essential	involvement of the public in reviewing and revising the Heritage Strategy would be a good idea. A great deal in Exmouth , for example , has been allowed to be demolished. Areas of character have been wiped out when a more imaginative approach would contribute to a more appealing environment.
FS-Case-323661989	Michael Gooch Boyer	quiteImportant	The importance of protecting heritage assets is recognised, however this should, where relevant, be balanced against the need to provide essential infrastructure such as housing.
FS-Case-324952647	Lawrence Turner Boyer Planning		No comment.
FS-Case-324964822	Sarah Jackson	veryImportant	I absolutely support retention of our heritage assets wherever possible as these can often be the key defining elements of our towns and parishes character, particularly their visual, external appearance. However, this should not stifle future proofing and internal renovation either to help meet our current and future needs whilst protecting the heritage of the location. There should be policies and schemes in place to ensure that heritage assets are properly maintained and don't fall into ruin simply as a way to justify removing them entirely in favour of new developments. However, where this does happen, we need to move forward. Derelict, dilapidated and unsalvageable premises serve no community well. I support any attempts to preserve areas of archaeological interest for future generations and believe we could be better capitalising on these, oft hidden, gems when promoting the District as a tourist/education destination
FS-Case-324977684	Simon Collier Collier Planning	quiteImportant	No comments at this stage.
FS-Case-324988465	Simon Collier Collier Planning	quiteImportant	No comments at this stage.
FS-Case-324999075	David Morgan Not Applicable	essential	Please refer to submitted representations.

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FS-Case-325030287	John Withrington N/A	essential	Important also to take into consideration listed buildings, scheduled monuments and other assets which contribute to the profile and character of local communities.
FS-Case-325041454	East Devon and Tiverton & Honiton CLPs	essential	· EDDC should support owners of heritage properties with regard to the costs associated with that.
FS-Case-325053097	Ed Persse EJF Planning Ltd	quiteImportant	The importance of protecting heritage assets is recognised, however this should, where relevant, be balanced against the need to provide essential infrastructure such as housing.
FS-Case-325070883	Emma Russell	essential	If assets are deemed heritage and are built, and possibly subject to listing, then they should be preserved and not allowed by owners to crumble until they can legitimately be knocked down.
FS-Case-325077531	I.G. Cann Exmouth Civic Society	essential	Please see attached submission.
FS-Case-325085151	Matthew Kendrick Grass Roots Planning	quiteImportant	N/A
FS-Case-325107229	George Williams Greenslade Taylor Hunt		Please refer to submitted representations.
FS-Case-325131855	Michelle Dobrota-Gibbs N/A	essential	Please refer to submitted representations.
FS-Case-325156112	Peter Dobbs	essential	Please refer to submitted representations.
FS-Case-325170882	Dorothy Taylor Exmouth Mental Health St John's Court Carers' Group	essential	Please refer to submitted representations.
FS-Case-325549089	Ken Pearson Stockland Parish Council	essential	he Parish received a planning application recently for an industrial scale pig farm to double its scale and in doing so, neglected to identify the fact that it was within 100m of a scheduled iron age hill fort that had already been identified as likely to be in danger of disappearing from the current levels of activity, in our Neighbourhood Plan. And yet a further application from the same owner affecting another scheduled fort was also put in at the same time, subjected to the same danger of being grubbed out, yet was allowed. Consistency in planning and investment in heritage assets to protect them, are also required here.
FS-Case-325812938	Nick Matthews Savills	veryImportant	See attached.
FS-Case-325819281	Nick Matthews Savills		See attached report.
FS-Case-325829612	Dan Yeates Savilles		no comment
FS-Case-325831870	Cem Kosaner Lichfields		N/A

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FS-Case-3258381 41	Dan Yeates Savills		no comment
