Question 23: Historic Environment 50103 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Melanie Surname Surname Atwell Position Position Organisation Organisation 50103-50 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 50103-51 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50103-52 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? I don't think so 50007 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Serena Surname Surname Bailey Position Position Organisation Organisation 50007-55 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? I am not informed enough on this issue to offer valuable feedback. 50007-56 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? I am not informed enough on this issue to offer valuable feedback. 50007-57 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? Wenny Meadow in Chatteris is currently included in the plan to be built on, but that would be a travesty.

The following lecture states clearly that the meadow features many historic features such as the

medieval "ridge and furrow" landscape, and the features of 18th century park land

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3IEGGzozuw) I believe that this special space ought to be conserved.

50039

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Hilary Name

Surname Bailey Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50039-41

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Yes, the plan should also consider natural green spaces which have historical significance. The landscape of Wenny Meadow in Chatteris tells a narrative of medieval farming practices (visible ridge-and-furrow) as well as 18th century parkland. There is evidence of arboretum planting (multiple different varieties of oak tree). Once lost, these stories would vanish, since the landscape itself is the narrator.

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

50039-42

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Wenny Road meadow in Chatteris.

50046

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Bryan Name

Surname Baker Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50046-56 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes of course.

50046-57 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes even if not historic.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

Yes

50111

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Kris Name

Surname Surname Surname

Position Position

Organisation Studio 11 Architecture Organisation

50111-40 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

No

50111-41 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50117

Consultee Agent

Title Title Mr

First Name Sharon, Patricia Joyce and Melanie Name Richard

Surname Bester, Whittlesey and Curl - C/O NYC Surname Mowat

Position Position

Organisation Organisation Johnson Mowat

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Each case should be considered on its own merits.

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Question 23: Historic Environment 50086 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name Lee Surname Surname Bevens Position Position Organisation L Bevens Associates Architects Ltd Organisation 50086-49 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? We need to protect our past but not necessarily at the expense of the future, so a balanced view. 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50086-50 50086-51 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No. The opposite. I think that there are areas of conservation areas that need to be reduced. 50122 Consultee Agent Title Title Name Robert First Name Surname Surname Boddington Position Position Organisation Organisation 50122-57 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

Historic vernacular buildings such as mud walls in Whittlesey, some are outside the Conservation Area.

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

identified as conservation areas?

Yes

50122-58

50122-59

50106

Consultee Agent

Title Councillor Title

First Name Gavin Name

Surname Booth Surname

Position Position

Organisation Parson Drove Parish Council Organisation

50106-47 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes

50106-48 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes, keep existing.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50029

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Ted Name

Surname Brand Surname

Position Position

Organisation Brand Associates Architects Organisation

50029-38 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

No

50029-39 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50090

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Fiona Name

Surname Bryan Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes. There is so much commercial farming here that anywhere or anything with historical significance should be valued and protected, as different.

50090-58 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Anywhere that is not commercially farmed should be protected. There is little beauty here. Natural areas provide beauty and habitats for wildlife. Let's preserve and even enhance what little we have.

50060

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Nicole Name

Surname Burnett Surname

Position Senior Planner Position

Organisation Gladman Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Question 23a) of the consultation document, seeks views on whether the FLP should go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment. Whilst Gladman recognise the importance of protecting the historic environment this needs to be balanced alongside the need for sustainable growth within the District.

The NPPF (2019) sets out clearly the national policy in relation to the historic environment, therefore it is important that any policies included within the FLP conform with this.

The Council need to avoid providing additional protection without the necessary justification. Any decisions made to require additional protection or to identify buildings of local importance will need to be evidence based.

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

50070

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name C Name

Surname Surname Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50070-31 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes

50070-32 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50083

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Andrew Name

Surname Surname Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes otherwise we will just build over it and there will be nothing left of this wonderful place for our grand

children and their children

50083-49 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

Tydd St Giles old school opposite the church should be saved for the community

Question 23: Historic Environment 50027 Consultee Agent Title Title Name Andrew First Name Hodgson Surname Cannon Kirk Surname Position Position Organisation Organisation Pegasus Group 50027-56 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? No comment 50027-57 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? No comment 50027-58 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No comment 50066 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name **James** Surname Surname Carney Position Position Organisation Organisation 50066-53 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes - however if somebody is prepared to take on an old building, restore it and retain its appearance as

far as is practical, let them do so without putting too many 'heritage' obstacles in their way.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Yes - the mistakes of the 1960s and 70s should not happen again!

identified as conservation areas? Parson Drove Green plus the 'Cage'.

50066-54

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50004

Consultee Agent

Title Title

Name First Name Matthew

Surname Surname Carpenter

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50004-26 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

> Yes, it does very little to protect the historic environment at present, or is unused. This is a fundamental requirement of the planning system, having its own Act. Fenland have given little priority to the historic environment during the course of the last plan – see plastic windows thought our conservation areas as an example.

50004-27 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

50109

Consultee **Agent**

Title Title

Name First Name Steve

Surname Surname Count

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50109-6 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment? No

50109-7 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

No, this should be handled by the listing process

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

Question 23: Historic Environment 50124 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Charlotte Surname Surname Dew Position Position Organisation Larkfleet Homes Organisation 50124-44 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? The Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990 already covers listed buildings and scheduled monuments of social architectural or historic interest. 50124-45 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50124-46 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No 50121 Consultee **Agent** Title Title Name First Name Anne Surname Dew Surname Position Position Development Planning Manager - East Persimmon Homes Organisation Organisation 50121-45 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? No 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50121-46 Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

50121-47

No

identified as conservation areas?

Only nature reserves as indicated above.

Questi	on 23: Historic	Environment	
50009			
Consultee		Agent	
Title		Title	
First Name	Lesley	Name	
Surname	Dorling	Surname	
Position		Position	
Organisatio	n	Organisation	
50009-47	23a) Should the Local environment?	Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic	
50009-48	23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? No		
50009-49	23c) Are there any are identified as conserva	eas that you think require additional protection that are not already ation areas?	
50010			
Consultee		Agent	
Title		Title	
First Name	Eamonn	Name	
Surname	Dorling	Surname	
Position	Ç	Position	
Organisatio	n	Organisation	
50010-57 23a) Should the Local Plan environment?		Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic	
	There are also nature reserves that should be nominated for SSSI. Kings Dyke Nature Reserve may benefit from the Must Farm Heritage Centre – FDC could support this initiative in many ways.		
50010-58	23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?		
50010-59	There already are areas and local Neighbourhood Plans feature conservation areas – leave it to those documents.		
	23c) Are there any ard identified as conserva	eas that you think require additional protection that are not already ation areas?	

identified as conservation areas?

50127-42

Question 23: Historic Environment			
50018			
Consultee		Agent	
Title	Councillor	Title	
First Name	James	Name	
Surname	Downes	Surname	
Position		Position	
Organisatio	n Leverington Parish Council	Organisation	
50018-57	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?		
50018-58	Yes	. huildings of local importance?	
30010-30	23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Yes		
50018-59 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are n identified as conservation areas?			
	Yes		
50127			
Consultee		Agent	
Title		Title	
First Name	Valerie	Name	
Surname	Emmons	Surname	
Position		Position	
Organisatio	n	Organisation	
50127-40	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the histo environment?		
	Yes.		
50127-41	23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?		
	Yes - they largely define the character of rural towns		

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

Yes, rare unspoilt, unfarmed areas, such as Wenny Meadow in Chatteris.

50119

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Maxim Name

Surname Emmons Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50119-29

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Where necessary, yes.

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

50076

Consultee Agent

Title Mrs Title

First Name D Name

Surname Evans Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

yes

50076-21 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

Wenny Meadow (Manor park) Chatteris

Question 23: Historic Environment 50100 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Susanah Surname Surname Farmer Position Position Organisation Organisation 50100-56 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? No, but an overall scheme could be effective in reducing the impact on historic buildings by not encouraging development of HMOs or requiring changes for today's retail requirements, allowing more sympathetic use of older buildings for smaller business or residetail use. May need no car rules within town centres! 50100-57 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Think current policies are adequate if used correctly. 50100-58 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No 50101 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Roger Surname Surname George Position Position Organisation Organisation 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic 50101-57 environment? I think FDC needs to consider having more, or all of Fenland being given some form of protective status.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

No. Separate schemes exist for this.

identified as conservation areas?

Yes, most of Fenland.

50101-58

50101-59

Question 23: Historic Environment 50032 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name lain Surname Surname Green Position Position Senior Public Health Officer Cambridgeshire County Council (Publi Organisation Organisation 50032-57 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Public health have no views on the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment 50032-58 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Public health have no views on the buildings of local importance 50032-59 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? Public health have no views on the additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas. 50077 Consultee **Agent** Title Title Name First Name ΜJ Surname Hawkins Surname Position Position Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes but there might be disputes about which buildings should be designated.

environment?

identified as conservation areas?

50077-20

50033

Consultee Agent

Title Mr Title

First Name Mark Name

Surname Hemment Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Yes. Historic areas, as well as buildings, should have increased protection. Tree Preservation Orders should identify specific trees and not groupings. A group is often poorly defined by a TPO, leaving tree officers, the public, and developers unsure which trees have protection.

50033-28 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes, including any land which has strong historical links to the buildings. Wenny Road Meadow, which was once the manor park to the adjacent Manor House, should enjoy the same protection given to the house.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Wenny Road Meadow (aka Manor Park) in Chatteris. This historic space still shows the medieval ridgeand-furrow farming from before it was a manor park (c1800). It is an unmanaged, natural green space with high biodiversity. The field has been used for town sport days in the past, along with galas and agricultural shows

50012

Consultee Agent

Title Mrs Title

First Name M Sadie Name

Surname Heritage Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

50012-37 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

After discussions and public involvement

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

I don't know where the conservation areas are

Question 23: Historic Environment 50128 Consultee **Agent** Title Title Name First Name Stephen Surname Surname Hodson Position Position Organisation Organisation Hodsons 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic 50128-49 environment? No 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50128-50 50128-51 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No, conservation areas are accurate.

	50112	4	
	Consultee		Agent
	Title	Cllr	Title
	First Name	Samantha	Name
	Surname	Ноу	Surname
	Position		Position
	Organisatio	n FDC/WTC	Organisation
	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?		e minimum requirements for protecting the historic
		yes	
50112-47		23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?	
		yes	
23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not identified as conservation areas?		require additional protection that are not already	

no

50003

Consultee Agent

Title Ms Title

First Name Ruth Name

Surname Hufton Surname

Position Position

Organisation Doddington Parish Council Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

Yes otherwise we will never encourage new tourism in the area. There are other historic places to visit and history to be told and these should be taken into account alongside the obvious Wisbech Georgian beauties.

50003-55 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

The View from Benwick Road to St. Mary's church.

50056

Consultee Agent

Title Ms Title

First Name Shanna Name

Surname Jackson Surname

Position Chartered Town Planner Position

Organisation Swann Edwards Architecture Limited Organisation

50056-51 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes

50056-52 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

The area around the church in Tydd St Giles could be afforded more protection.

50072

Consultee Agent

Title Mr Title

First Name Ray Name

Surname Johnson Surname

Position Position

Organisation The Wisbech Society Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

As the â€~Capital of the Fens', Wisbech has a rich culture and history as an inland port, with many beautiful buildings in close proximity to its town centre. In particular, Wisbech was described by the antiquarian, Sir Nikolaus Pevsner, as "one of the most attractive towns of East Anglia†and the North Brink as "one of the most perfect Georgian streets of England.â€②Wisbech is a key tourist destination within Fenland. Close to the North Norfolk coast, Wisbech attracts many visitors to its attractions, including, the National Trust's Peckover House, Octavia Hill's Birthplace House, Wisbech & Fenland Museum, Elgood's Brewery & Gardens, Wisbech Castle, to name a few. Unfortunately, in recent decades, this important historic fabric has undergone much decline with some dereliction to some of its most prominent buildings, including the Wisbech Institute, Phoenix Hotel, Corn Exchange and a number of properties in the High Street. To arrest this decline and encourage property owners to maintain their properties, greater Planning and Conservation resource is required to support owners with grants and technical advice, backed up with enforcement and compliance actions where necessary. Some good work has begun, with the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) to restore properties in the High Street and the Wisbech Society's HLF project to restore the chapel in the General Cemetery. This positive action can be built on to expand to the re-development of other buildings in the Town Centre Conservation Area and return them to community use.

50072-2 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

The UK Government's National Planning Policy Framework, February 2019, section 16. Point 187. states, 'Local planning authorities should maintain or have access to a historic environment record. This should contain up-to-date evidence about the historic environment in their area ...' Point 188. states 'Local planning authorities should make information about the historic environment, gathered as part of policy-making or development management, publicly accessible.' However, the Fenland District Council website, under 'Heritage:Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas' only includes sections on Listed Buildings, Article 4 Directions and Buildings At Risk but there is no public access to the lists of properties in these sections (the website only states that a Buildings At Risk List will be available in 2015??). There is no section that defines Buildings of Local Importance or identifies such properties. This should be rectified and a relevant section included in the FDC website, along with full lists of properties under each section. Wisbech has a number of properties within the Conservation Areas, which have no protections in place, but are of historic importance to our built heritage, including The Wisbech Institute and White Lion Hotel.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

The Wisbech Town Centre Conservation Area, should be considered for extension to include the area bounded by Queen's Road, Victoria Road and Churchill Road, including Tillery Field. This is a contiguous area of Victorian terraced and semi-detached houses, of a construction and style that merits some protection from inappropriate development and alterations.

identified as conservation areas?

50079-58

No

50069 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name Simon Surname Surname King Position Position Organisation Organisation 50069-47 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? "Plastic‹ windows should be prevented or removed in Conservation Areas and from listed buildings 50069-48 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? 50079 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Mr Name Tom First Name Peter Nellist Surname Lankfer Surname Position Position Organisation Organisation Trundley Design 50079-56 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50079-57

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

50095

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Barrie Name

Surname Luck Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50095-53 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

yes

50095-54 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50089

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Karen Name

Surname Luck Surname

Position Position

Organisation Organisation

50089-44 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes: let's aspire to do more than the minimum wherever possible.

50089-45 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50044

Consultee Agent

Title Ms Title

First Name Debbie Name

Surname Mack Surname

Position Historic Environment Planning Adviser Position

Organisation Historic England Organisation

50044-13

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

We include some details advice in respect of the historic environment and Local Plans for consideration in the preparation of the forthcoming Plan.

It is important to note that the historic environment encompasses more than only streets and buildings. It includes designated heritage assets such as listed buildings, conservation areas, Registered Parks and Gardens and scheduled monuments as well as non-designated heritage assets such as local listed buildings, sites of archaeological importance, local green spaces, and undiscovered/unknown heritage assets. It also includes less tangible aspects of cultural heritage which contribute to local traditions and sense of place.

We expect to see appropriate references to setting in policies. Although setting itself is not a designated heritage asset, it can be a key aspect of a heritage asset's significance. As with assessing the impact of site allocations on setting, with a site specific allocation, it is important to understand the significance of any heritage asset/s, and their setting/s, that would be affected by the site allocation in order for the policy to reflect these considerations. This involves more than identifying known heritage assets within a given distance, but rather a more holistic process which seeks to understand their significance and value. Whilst a useful starting point, a focus on distance or visibility alone as a gauge is not appropriate. Site allocations which include a heritage asset (for example a site within a Conservation Area) may offer opportunities for enhancement and tackling heritage at risk, while conversely, an allocation at a considerable distance away from a heritage asset may cause harm to its significance, reducing the suitability of the site allocation in sustainable development terms. We would expect to see this reflected in the policy wording and supporting text.

The forthcoming Local Plan should recognise the interrelationship between the historic environment and landscape. It would be helpful however to acknowledge that the landscape itself constitutes part of the historic environment and is not a separate entity to it. The position of hedgerows and field markings for example shows how the land was used in the past, and the position and siting of access points, tracks and footpaths often indicate the historical way people would access and travel through the landscape. These features can be a powerful visual remnant of more rural heritage and traditions. The layout of the landscape, its undulations and wider views can have historic significance as well as landscape significance so it is important to acknowledge this in the Plan. The east of England is rich in the designed landscapes of parks and gardens, and the built and natural environments they contain; these are as important to national and indeed international culture as our buildings.

The conservation and enhancement of the historic environment can bring a range of multi-faceted benefits which can help achieve spatial planning goals. Recognising the role the historic environment has to play in creating locally distinct places can help improve economic prospects for places within the Plan area through tourism for example or heritage-led regeneration. It can help improve well-being for local residents, and promotes an understanding of local history and identity. It is important to see the opportunities that some developments may have in enhancing the historic environment through public realm improvement, allowing public access or better revealing significance. A coordinated appreciation of the historic environment which addresses both the heritage assets themselves and their setting will reinforce their integrity and therefore will help ensure that historic places and spaces continue to provide

long term public benefits. An integrated approach to policy preparation which recognises the social, economic and environmental dimensions of the historic environment and which seek to conserve this irreplaceable resource maximise the effect heritage assets can have.

It is advised that the forthcoming Local Plan address non-designated heritage assets such as locally listed buildings. The Local Plan should also address Heritage at Risk both on the National Register and on the local register. Robust provision for these heritage assets will increase the soundness of your forthcoming plan.

The Local Plan should be locally specific to Fenland. It should reference the types of heritage assets which make up the stock of designated and non-designated assets within the Plan area. It would be helpful to describe the types and nature of settlements which characterise the area. These vary between the towns and villages within the District. At the Strategic level, the Plan should recognise the irreplaceable nature of the historic environment and heritage assets, it should convey the importance of the historic environment and how it helps creates a sense of local distinctiveness and contributes towards the creation of high quality places that people want to live and work in. The need to conserve or enhance the historic environment should be referred to explicitly.

It is recommended that any forthcoming historic environment policies reference to how proposals should address technical archaeological matters.

We recommend the inclusion of a focused section or chapter within any forthcoming Local Plan on the landscape, heritage and design within the consultation document.

A positive strategy for the Historic Environment

Paragraph 185 of the NPPF requires Local Plans to set out a positive and clear strategy for the conservation, enjoyment and enhancement of the historic environment. Ideally the strategy should offer a strategic overview including overarching heritage policies to deliver the conservation and enhancement of the environment.

A good strategy will offer a positive holistic approach throughout the whole plan whereby the historic environment is considered not just as a stand-alone topic but as an integral part of every aspect of the plan, being interwoven within the entire document. So policies for housing, retail, and transport for example may need to be tailored to achieve the positive improvements that paragraph 8 of the NPPF demands. Site allocations may need to refer to the historic environment, identifying opportunities to conserve and enhance the historic environment, avoid harming heritage assets and their settings and may also be able to positively address heritage assets at risk. The plan may need to include areas identified as being inappropriate for certain types of development due to the impact they would have on the historic environment.

A good strategy will also be spatially specific, unique to the area, describing the local characteristics of the borough and responding accordingly with policies that address the local situation. We would expect references to the historic environment in the local plan vision, the inclusion of a policy/ies for the historic environment and character of the landscape and built environment, and various other references to the historic environment through the plan relating to the unique characteristics of the area.

Evidence based

For a local plan we would expect to see a comprehensive and robust evidence base for the historic environment. Any evidence base should be proportionate. Sources include:

National Heritage List for England. Www.historicengland.org.uk/the-list/ http://www.historicengland.org.uk/the-list/ Heritage Gateway. Www.heritagegateway.org.uk http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk Historic Environment Record.

National and local heritage at risk registers. Www.historicengland.org.uk/advice/heritage-at-risk http://www.historicengland.org.uk/advice/heritage-at-risk

Non-designated or locally listed heritage assets (buildings, monuments, parks and gardens, areas) Conservation area appraisals and management plans

Historic characterisation assessments e.g. the Extensive Urban Surveys and Historic Landscape Characterisation Programme or more local documents.

Www.archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/archives/view/EUS/

http://www.archaeologydataservice.ac.uk/archives/view/EUS/

Environmental capacity studies for historic towns and cities or for historic areas e.g. the Craven Conservation Areas Assessment Project. Www.cravendc.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=11207&p=0 http://www.cravendc.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=11207&p=0

Detailed historic characterization work assessing impact of specific proposals.

Heritage Impact Assessments looking into significance and setting.

Green Belt studies.

Visual impact assessments.

Archaeological assessments.

Topic papers

Non-designated Heritage Assets

In national policy terms, 'non-designated heritage assets' (including those on a local list) are recognised as having a degree of significance meriting consideration in planning decisions. Paragraph 197 of the National Planning Policy Framework states that decisions on applications affecting such assets will require a balanced judgment that has regard to the significance of the asset and any harm or loss: http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog/policy/achieving-sustainable-development/delivering-sustainable-development/12-conserving-and-enhancing-the-historic-environment/>

Government guidance recognises that local lists and local criteria for identifying non-designated heritage assets are a positive thing and can help with decision-making:

http://planningguidance.planningportal.gov.uk/blog/guidance/conserving-and-enhancing-the-historic-environment/what-are-non-designated-heritage-assets-and-how-important-are-they/>

We would recommend that as a minimum a local authority has established criteria for identifying nondesignated heritage assets, and ideally has a local list of assets linked to planning policies in their Local Plan. A good example is Peterborough:

http://www2.peterborough.gov.uk/environment/listed_buildings/locally_listed_buildings.aspx

There are enough appeal cases to indicate that inspectors regard non-designated heritage assets, and something on a local list, as an important material consideration in planning decisions. In fact, where there isn't a local list, some inspectors have been unable to give as much weight to a non-designated heritage asset. Our website contains a number of appeal cases and if you search for 'locally listed heritage asset' or 'non-designated heritage asset', you will get relevant ones: http://www.historicengland.org.uk/advice/hpg/planning-cases/>

Robust provision for these heritage assets will increase the soundness of your forthcoming plan.

General comments on historic environment policy wording, including for site allocations

It is important that policies include sufficient information regarding criteria for development. Paragraph 16d of the NPPF states that policies should provide a clear indication of how a decision maker should react to a development proposal.

To that end we make the following suggestions for consideration when drafting site allocation policies.

A)The policy and supporting text should refer to the designated assets and their settings both on site and nearby. By using the word 'including' this avoids the risk of missing any assets off the list.

B)The policy should use the appropriate wording from the list below depending on the type of asset e.g. conservation area or listed building or combination of heritage assets

c)The policy and supporting text should refer to specific appropriate mitigation measures e.g. landscaping or careful design or maintaining key views or buffer/set back/breathing space etc.

D)The NPPF is very clear on the importance of setting of all assets - further advice about settings is given in our advice note and also in the PPG. However, settings are not protected in and of themselves. It is the harm to significance that may be caused by development within the setting of an asset which is key. Try to work this into the policy or at least supporting text.

E)The NPPF uses the words 'conserve and enhance' and 'sustain and enhance'.

F) PG explains in more detail what is meant by conservation and enhancement of the historic environment. Here the wording is 'conserved and where appropriate enhanced.

G)The NPPF is newer than the legislation.

H) Local Plans need to be consistent with the policies in the Framework

Where a site has the potential to affect a heritage asset, we would expect to see the following typical wording within the policy:

combination of heritage assets - 'Development should conserve/sustain or where appropriate enhance the significance of heritage assets (noting that significance may be harmed by development within the setting of an asset).'

This is based on the wording in the NPPF and Planning Practice Guidance Paragraph: 002 Reference ID: 18a-002-20190723 Revision date: 23 07 2019

listed building 'Development should preserve the significance of the listed building (noting that significance may be harmed by development within the setting of an asset).'.

This is based on the wording in Part 1, Chapter 1, paragraph 1 (3) (b) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

conservation area 'Development should preserve, or where opportunities arise, enhance the character or appearance of the Conservation Area and its setting'.

This is based on the wording in Part 2, paragraph 69 (a) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 and paragraph 200 of the NPPF.

Note that if you refer to character ... appearance, use the word 'or' not 'and'

registered park and garden -'Development should conserve or enhance the significance of the registered park and garden assets (noting that significance may be harmed by development within the setting of an asset).'

scheduled monument 'Development should conserve or enhance the significance of the scheduled monument (noting that significance may be harmed by development within the setting of an asset).'

Or instead of the words in brackets you could add the following sentence

'This includes any contribution made to its significance by its setting.'

50044-14 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Question 23: Historic Environment 50038 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name lan Surname Surname Mason Position Position Organisation Organisation 50038-33 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes it should consider the ever dwindling number of historic common and open spaces within urban environs and ensure green spaces are incorporated in planning more often, especially in support of physical health and mental well being. Conservation areas should increase and enforcement of things like tree preservation orders with replacement policies for tree and hedgerow, meadow and roadside swathes made mandatory. 50038-34 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Yes, we should be starting to recognise we are in the 21st century and that 20th century architecture is now historic. 50038-35 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? Perhaps waterways and drainage areas that protect vital areas against flood risk. 50042 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Jane Ann Surname Surname Mason Position Position Organisation Organisation 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic 50042-36 environment? Yes 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50042-37

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

Yes. Preservation of unique green spaces that have historic value, such as Wenny Meadow in Chatteris.

50042-38

identified as conservation areas?

No

50074 Consultee Agent Title Title Name **Geoffrey Mathias** First Name Surname Surname Mathias Position Position Organisation Organisation 50074-40 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? YES 50074-41 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50074-42 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? THE GEORGIAN FRONTAGES ON NORTH AND SOUTH BRINK WISBECH 50073 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name John Surname Surname Maxey Position Position Organisation Maxey Grounds Organisation 50073-57 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? The most important landscape features should be protected but other heritage features are actually of little visual value or importance in which case national requirements are sufficient 50073-58 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? No- they receive designation via the listing system if appropriate 50073-59 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

No

Questi	on 23: Historic Environm	lent
50129		
Consultee		Agent
Title	Mrs	Title
First Name	J	Name
Surname	Melton	Surname
Position		Position
Organisatio	n Chatteris Town Council	Organisation
50129-53	environment?	d the minimum requirements for protecting the historic
50400 54	No	
50129-54	23b) Should the Plan identify building	ngs of local importance?
50129-55		ink require additional protection that are not already
	No	
50126		
Consultee		Agent
Title		Title
First Name	Alan	Name
Surname	Melton	Surname
Position		Position
Organisatio	n Manea Parish Council	Organisation
50126-57	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyon environment?	d the minimum requirements for protecting the historic
	No	
50126-58	23b) Should the Plan identify building	ngs of local importance?
50126-59	Yes 23c) Are there any areas that you thidentified as conservation areas?	ink require additional protection that are not already

Question 23: Historic Environment 50051 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name Ε Surname Surname Murat Position Position Parish Council Clerk Organisation Parson Drove Parish Council Organisation 50051-11 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 50051-12 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? 50015 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name Geoff First Name Surname Newham Surname Position Position Organisation Organisation 50015-45 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Small rural village locations define the Fens and should be preserved

identified as conservation areas?
All open, rural, agricultural land!

Yes

50015-46

50015-47

50011

Consultee Agent

Title Title

First Name Alex Name

Surname Patrick Surname

Position Position

Organisation Alexandra Design Organisation

50011-25 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Parson Drove conservation area needs re-visiting

50011-26 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Of course, makes it easier for all viewing it

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

50040

Consultee Agent

Title Mrs Title

First Name J Name

Surname Richardson Surname

Position Position

Organisation Benwick Parish Council Organisation

50040-55 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic

environment?

Yes if the analysis suggests it is worth it.

50040-56 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

identified as conservation areas?

No

Question 23: Historic Environment			
50082			
Consultee		Agent	
Title		Title	
First Name	Bryan	Name	
Surname	Rose	Surname	
Position		Position	
Organisatio	n	Organisation	
50082-56	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyonenvironment?	d the minimum requirements for protecting the historic	
	Yes we must protect the historic environment		
23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?		gs of local importance?	
50082-58	Yes		
30062-36	23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?		
		nominate such areas following consultation with the local	
50094			
Consultee		Agent	
Title		Title	
First Name	Gerald	Name	
Surname	Seabrook	Surname	
Position		Position	
Organisatio	n	Organisation	
50094-30	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?		
	Yes		

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

identified as conservation areas?

50094-31

Yes

Question 23: Historic Environment 50075 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Pam Surname Surname Shippey Position Position Organisation Organisation 50075-30 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 50075-31 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? 50026 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name Jonathan Surname Surname Stone

Position Position Organisation Organisation

50026-57 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? The CCG does not have a view on this 50026-58 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

The CCG does not have a view on this 50026-59

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

The CCG does not have a view on this

50088 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Richard Surname Surname Tester Position Position Organisation Organisation 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic 50088-56 environment? If possible it would be good for the area, but I suspect that this isn't a priority. 50088-57 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Yes, providing they can be protected in some way from decay, unsuitable redevelopment and unsuitable nearby developments 50088-58 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? Not aware of any 50034 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Katie Surname Surname Thornley Position Position Senior Finance Manager Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Sus Organisation Organisation 50034-55 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? We would not prioritise this.

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already

23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

We would not prioritise this.

We would not prioritise this.

identified as conservation areas?

50034-56

50034-57

Question 23: Historic Environment 50084 Consultee Agent Title Title Mr Name Simon First Name Machen Surname Surname Triman Developments (UK) Limited an Position Position Organisation Barmach Ltd Organisation 50084-50 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? No. 50084-51 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? Yes. 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? 50030 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Kate Surname Waller Surname

Position Position

Organisation Elm Parish Council Organisation

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

The Council recommends that there is provision for individual assessments to be made beyond the minimum requirements

50030-57 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

The Council believes that building of local importance should be identified and local communities made aware of the significance and importance of these buildings

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

Not within the Elm Parish Council area.

50030-58

50024

Consultee Agent

Title Mr Title

First Name Lawrence Name

Surname Weetman Surname

Position Chairman Position

Organisation Chatteris Past, Present & Future Organisation

50024-47

50024-49

23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?

Yes.

Chatteris' welcome sign says that it is an "Historic Fenland Town". Chatteris' historic nature is part of its identity, but it has sadly found itself on Historic England's Conservation Area Risk Register. We believe that the plan should place greater importance upon the Conservation Areas in Fenland, with a commitment towards stronger protections and more frequent appraisals of these important parts of our district.

We think that the plan should ensure that planning committees not only consider Listed Buildings and those identified as buildings of Local Importance, but also require developers and the council to take into consideration the historic nature of non-designated historic assets and the character and layout of the town. We are also extremely concerned about threats to Historic Open Spaces such as "Wenny Meadow", which is actually an 18th/19th Century landscape park with medieval features. We would like to see these spaces preserved.

Work by Chatteris Past, Present & Future has also uncovered the worrying situation that around half of trees in Chatteris protected by TPOs no longer exist. Much greater care should be taken to protect these trees, which are covered by TPOs due to their age, their maturity and special setting that they provide to the town.

Sources & Useful info:

News article on Conservation Areas being placed on the "at risk" register:

https://www.cambstimes.co.uk/news/our-heritage-at-risk-conservation-areas-of-chatteris-march-and-whittlese y-placed-on-risk-register-1-4282198 Historic England "at risk" register: https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/har-2018-registers/ee-har-register2018/

Non-designated heritage assets: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/conserving-and-enhancing-the-historic-environment#non-designated

Talk on Wenny Meadow (for Chatteris Past, Present & Future) by Dr Sarah Spooner of UEA:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3IEGGzozuw Cambs Times article on talk:

https://www.cambstimes.co.uk/news/bid-to-save-chatteris-beauty-spot-1-5751524 Fenland Citizen article on talk: https://www.fenlandcitizen.co.uk/news/campaigners-hope-historic-details-of-wenny-meadow-in-chatteris-canhelp-save-it-from-development-9047124/ Save Wenny Meadow campaign: http://savewennyroadmeadow.org/

Chatteris Past, Present & Future tree project coverage: https://www.cambstimes.co.uk/news/chatteris-trees-need-to-be-saved-says-a-newly-formed-society-1-431949 5

50024-48 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?

Yes. The Fenland Civic Societies have long hoped for a "local list" or a similar scheme to provide further protection for currently non-designated heritage assets. This could help to provide more guidance and certainty for the public, building owners and developers.

We believe that the scheme should be straightforward and allow submissions of buildings of interest at any time. Such a scheme could be modeled on FDC's existing process for identifying, nominating and assessing applications for Asset of Community Value status. This system seems to be well-developed and would most likely need minimal changes in order to support the creation of a process for managing a local list.

Asset of Community Value scheme at Fenland, which could be a model for a local list scheme for buildings of local importance: https://www.fenland.gov.uk/righttobid

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?

We would like to see additional protection for natural/open green spaces (such as the historic Wenny Meadow) and the important waterways around Fenland.

Meadow) and the important waterways around Femand.		
50001		
Consultee		Agent
Title		Title
First Name	Alan	Name
Surname	Wheeldon	Surname
Position		Position
Organisatio	1	Organisation
50001-54	23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment?	
	Yes definitely	
50001-55 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance?		of local importance?
	Yes	
50001-56	23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas?	
	Parks e.g. Wisbech Park It is over 150 years old with many rare and original trees. When they are felled for various reasons they are not being replaced. A recent survey by the arboriculturalists Hoyden consultants estimated that with 40 years there will only be 29 trees left down from the present 219. This would be a great loss and goes against all current policies regarding the health benefits of open spaces and their contribution to helping control climate change.	

identified as conservation areas?

School playing fields.

50047-44

Question 23: Historic Environment 50107 Consultee Agent Title Mr Title Name First Name Ray Surname Surname Whitwell Position Position Organisation Organisation 50107-52 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50107-53 50107-54 23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already identified as conservation areas? No 50047 Consultee Agent Title Title Name First Name Geoff Surname Wilkinson Surname Position Position Organisation Wisbech St Mary Parish Council Organisation 50047-42 23a) Should the Local Plan go beyond the minimum requirements for protecting the historic environment? Yes 23b) Should the Plan identify buildings of local importance? 50047-43

23c) Are there any areas that you think require additional protection that are not already