



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL



Historic Environment Report 2015-2016

Indicator HB1: Listed buildings at risk

Progress:

2016	2 entries on the national at risk register (Church of All Saints, High Street, Turvey grade I and Congregational Chapel, High Street, Roxton grade II*) 23 Entries on local at risk register (including the above buildings on the national register.
2015	2 entries on the national at risk register (Church of All Saints, High Street, Turvey grade I and Congregational Chapel, High Street, Roxton grade II*) 30 Entries on local at risk register (including the above buildings on the national register.
2014	1 entry on the national at risk (Church of All Saints, Church Lane, Little Staughton grade I)
2013	2 entries on the national at risk register (Cardington No. 1 Shed at RAF Cardington grade II* and Church of All Saints, Church Lane, Little Staughton grade I) 28 entries on the local at risk register
2012	1 entry on the national at risk register (Cardington No. 1 Shed at RAF Cardington grade II*) 35 entries on the local at risk register
2011	1 entry on the national at risk register (Cardington No. 1 Shed at RAF Cardington grade II*) 36 entries on the local at risk register
2010	1 entry on the national at risk register (Cardington No. 1 Shed at RAF Cardington grade II*) 39 entries on the local at risk register (reported last year as on national register)
2006-10	1 entry on the national at risk register Priority B (Cardington No. 1 Shed at RAF Cardington grade II*)
2005	2 entries on the national at risk register (records grades I and II* only)
2004	24 entries on the local at risk register
2000	33 entries on the local at risk register

The Congregational Chapel in Roxton, grade II*, is still on the national register and is identified as in slow decay. Church of All Saints in Turvey, grade I, is also still on the national register and is identified as at immediate risk of further rapid deterioration or loss of fabric. The number of buildings on the local at risk register has reduced to 23, including those buildings on the national list. Threeways Farmhouse West End Road, Kempston, grade II listed has now been renovated and is not at risk any longer. Dovecot at number 49 Woodhouse Lane, Staploe, grade II listed has had works completed and is no longer at risk.

4 Hinwick Village, grade II listed is in the process of being renovated/ repaired but at the time of reporting is still considered to be at risk given its vulnerable condition. The Granary at Riseley Lodge, Riseley is still at risk but this is now reduced to at moderate risk owing to the building having been re-roofed.

Local At Risk Register: Buildings at Risk by Parish and Grade

Site	Grade
BEDFORD	
Bedford Hospital (Main South Block) Kimbolton Road	II
BOLNHURST AND KEYSOE	
Buryfields Farmhouse	II
CARLTON AND CHELLINGTON	
Monument to Sir Robert Darling, 1 1/2 metres from s.e. Corner of chancel, St Nicholas Church	II
KEMPSTON RURAL	
Meadow Farmhouse West End Road	II
KNOTTING AND SOULDROP	
Barns At Strawberry Hill Farm	II
LITTLE BARFORD	
Barn North of Farmhouse, Lower Farm	II
PODINGTON	
4 Hinwick Village	II
Gatepiers To Drive Entrance, Hinwick Hall	II
RENHOLD	
Ice House To Howbury Hall St Neots Road	II
Garden Wall To Howbury Hall St Neots Road	II
Great Dairy Farmhouse St Neots Road	II
RISELEY	
Granary At Riseley Lodge Farm North East Of House Bowers Lane	II
ROXTON	
Dovecote At Forty Farm Great North Road	II
Forty Farmhouse Great North Road	II
Chawston Lodge	II
Congregational Chapel High Street Roxton	II*
SHARNBROOK	
Former Farmhouse At Hill Farm Mill Road	II
Magniac Mausoleum St Peter's Churchyard Church Lane	II
STEWARTBY	
Two Kilns And Four Chimneys At The Stewartby Brickworks	II
TURVEY	
Great Oaks Farmhouse Bedford Road	II
Church of All Saints High Street Turvey	I
WILDEN	
Manor Farmhouse High Street	II
WILLINGTON	
Garden Wall At Manor Farm Church End	II

(Source: Bedford Borough Council, English Heritage at Risk Register)

Indicator HB2: Shopfronts and Advertisements in Conservation Areas SPD

SPD objective	Associated target	Indicator
To improve the appearance of new shopfronts within conservation areas, where they are introduced into historic areas or old buildings	Improve the appearance of new shopfronts in conservation areas	a) Standard of shopfronts in conservation areas
Progress		
<p>24 planning applications decided where policy BE16 of the Borough Local Plan 2002 was used, 22 of which were approved, and 1 of which was refused. 1 application withdrawn.</p> <p>The SPD was referred to in 18 of the above 24 applications either in the Officer's Report, or in the Decision Notice. 4 of the 24 applications are not within or adjacent to a conservation area yet the SPD is still considered.</p>		
SPD objective	Associated target	Indicator
Encourage a higher standard of shopfronts on newer buildings	Improve standard of shopfronts on newer buildings	b) Standard of shopfronts on new buildings
Progress		
<p>15 applications were received in the town centre conservation area which would have required alterations to shop fronts on buildings (including applications for new units, sub-division of current units, change of use of current units or applications for alterations to existing shopfronts). Of these 15, the SPD was mentioned in 7 instances, 1 of which was on a newer (postwar) building and three on new retail units currently under construction on the Riverside North site (which is adjacent to the conservation area). The application on the postwar building was refused whilst the applications on the retail units under construction were permitted.</p> <p>10 applications were received between 1st April 2015 and 31st March 2016 for free standing advertising units around the town centre. 3 were in the conservation area with the remaining located in areas close to or adjacent to the conversation area. All were granted permission with all but one referring to the SPD.</p>		
SPD objective	Associated target	Indicator
New advertisements should respect the character and style of the building and the area in question, in terms of design, materials and location.	Improve advertisements in terms of respecting local character, design, materials and location	c) Standard of new advertisements

Progress
35 planning advertisement applications decided where SPD was mentioned, either in the officer's report or the decision notice. 34 were approved, and 1 was refused. Of the 35 applications, 15 were in or adjacent to conservation areas. 2 advertisement applications in conservation areas were decided where the SPD was not mentioned
