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Date: 16 June 2026

Dear Sir, Madam,

Re: South Derbyshire Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan, June 2026

Thank you for consulting Historic England in relation to South Derbyshire Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan, June 2026 consultation. As the Government's adviser for the historic environment, we are keen to ensure that conservation and enhancement of heritage assets are taken into account at all stages and levels of the planning process.

How we wish to engage

Our main point of contact for South Derbyshire's Local Plan consultations is our regional Historic Environment Planning Adviser: Kezia Taylerson Historic Environment Planning Adviser [REDACTED]

We would be grateful if you could also add our general casework email address to the consultation database. This should be used for consultations and to get hold of us when our Planning Adviser is unavailable: Midlands Casework [REDACTED]

All consultations should be directed to our regional email address in the first instance.

South Derbyshire Proposed Modifications to the Local Plan, June 2026

Please find attached to this letter, in Table 1, our comments on the proposed modifications to the South Derbyshire Local Plan.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Kezia Taylerson

Historic Environment Planning Adviser/ Midlands Region

Table 1: Historic England comments on the Main Modifications consultation, June 2026

Main/Additional Modifications	Historic England comments
PM12	We would urge the Council to ensure that any drainage schemes for the canal are appropriate in the context of the historic environment, including heritage assets such as water logged archaeology.
PM22	<p>We note that a large amount of the ridge and furrow has been excluded from the site allocation now, which we are supportive of. However, we also note that the HIA did not fully address the wider ridge and furrow bordering the A516 at Etwall Road. This area has been largely identified as green space, which we are supportive of, however there is a section within the development which appears to be identified for housing and pedestrian/ cycle connections.</p> <p>We would welcome policy wording that protects the ridge and furrow from development and safeguards its wider setting.</p>
<p>AM72 STRA 1</p> <p><u>‘The site does not contain any currently identified heritage assets. Notwithstanding this, there are heritage assets adjacent to the site including the designated Ancient Scheduled Monument Swarkestone Lows round barrow cemetery and part of an aggregate field system to the Southeast of the site. Given the importance of the adjacent land as far back as the Bronze Age development should ensure that archaeology assets are suitably assessed and recorded (in accordance with policy BNE2)’.</u></p>	We would request that further text is included to ensure the protection of the archaeological assets and their setting, as well as assessment and recording.
AM73 STRA2	The modification AM73 refers to Pastures Hospital, but it is not clear that this is a

'All new and existing residents should have good access to high quality multifunctional open space which fits with both the heritage objective of preserving the setting of the Pastures Hospital in its hilltop location, and the health objective/ vision for the whole site as set out in the Heritage Impact Assessment'.

designated heritage asset at Grade II and there is no reference to the Grade II Winter Garden in the same location. We support that they are not in the allocation boundary but consider that the modified wording should refer to them in the correct manner and list any recommendations from the HIA.

We would also welcome inclusion within the policy text relating to the ridge and furrow within the amended scheme layout in PM22.