Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council Borough Plan Review (2021 -2039)



Statement of Common Ground between Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council and Historic England

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Organisations

- Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council (NBBC).
- Historic England (HE).

Introduction

This Statement of Common Ground identifies areas of agreement and disagreement between NBBC and HE in relation to the Borough Plan Review (2021-2039) and supporting evidence base. This Statement has been prepared to assist the Examination of the Plan and covers the administrative area of NBBC.

The Borough is located between Coventry and Hinckley and benefits from good road links. Nuneaton and Bedworth are both easily accessible from the M6 which gives good access to the M1, M5, M42 and M69. The A5 runs along the northern boundary of the Borough and the A444, A4254 and the B4114 are the major routes within the Borough. The Borough is home to 134,200 people according to the Census 2021. A plan has been provided at Appendix A which outlines the administrative boundary of NBBC alongside the location of sub-regional and adjoining Local Planning Authorities. NBBC has fully engaged with HE on the development of the Council's Local Plan from the outset. In accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012, HE has been formally consulted at every stage of consultation on the Borough Plan Review together with its accompanying Sustainability Appraisal and the Habitat Regulations Assessment. HE made representations to the Issues and Options, Preferred Options and Regulation 19 stages of consultation on the Borough Plan Review (representation number 15 in relation to the Regulation 19 consultation). The Duty to Cooperate Compliance Statement outlines in detail the engagement activities and outcomes undertaken during the Plan's preparation.

Strategic matters

Areas of Agreement

 That NBBC has worked collaboratively with HE to ensure that all strategic issues have been properly considered and where appropriate reflected in the Borough Plan Review and effective and on-going joint working has and will continue to be undertaken.

Conservation and enhancement of the historic environment

HE is supportive of the Borough Plan Review being accompanied by the 'Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review Heritage Site Assessments' (2022). This document assessed the impact of development on the significance of designated and non-designated heritage assets and their settings. HE welcomes this approach and is pleased to see that the methodology used is in line with that set out in HE's advice notes.

HE supports the inclusion of heritage at risk within the 'issues associated with the local environment', that the conservation and enhancement of the historic environment is included in the vision for the Borough, that Objective 7 regarding the historic environment is included and that Strategic Policy DS1 – Sustainable development requires development to sustain and enhance the historic environment, whilst providing mitigation and enhancement.

NBBC wishes to conserve and enhance the historic environment within the Borough and is pleased that HE welcomes and supports these approaches.

The following provides a precis of HE's comments to the (Regulation 19) Publication Document and additional comments HE has made. NBBC have included reference to suggested Minor Modifications for the Planning Inspector to resolve any outstanding issues.

Policies TC2, NE1, NE4, NE5, BE2, BE3 and BE4

HE supports the inclusion of policy requirements to conserve and enhance the historic environment whilst acknowledging different forms of heritage within the Borough – for example, policy NE1 acknowledges cultural heritage. HE also welcomes the additional policy wording, recommended by them at the Preferred Options stage, within the Borough Plan Review, enhancing recognition for and the protection of the historic environment in the Borough.

NBBC wishes to conserve and enhance the historic environment within the Borough and is pleased that HE welcomes and supports these policy requirements.

Strategic Policy SHA2

HE welcomes clauses 15, 16 and 33 of Strategic Policy SHA2. HE also notes paragraph 7.46 and clause 37 of the policy.

Strategic Policy SHA3

HE welcomes the reference to locally listed heritage assets and the provisions of clause 21.

Strategic Policy SEA4

HE supports clause 17 of Strategic Policy SEA4 and the objectives of paragraph 7.120.

Strategic Policy SEA6

HE supports the inclusion of clause 11 in Strategic Policy SEA6.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site – NSRA2

HE welcomes the guidance for site NSRA2, especially in regard to ensuring that development is sensitive to its location adjacent to the conservation area and that development reflects the characteristics of the surrounding townscape.

Sustainability Appraisal

HE notes the findings of section 10.11 of the Sustainability Appraisal. Whilst HE agrees, with a few exceptions, that the majority of the site allocations are not constrained by historic environment considerations, HE strongly suggests that a Heritage Impact Assessment should be undertaken for all properties that may have potential impacts on designated and non-designated heritage assets. NBBC requires any application affecting a heritage asset to undertake a Heritage Impact Assessment, outlined in Policy BE4.

NBBC agrees and notes the above, reference will be made to the requirement for any formal planning application to require a Heritage Impact Assessment to the sites identified.

Strategic Housing Allocation Sites – SHA1, SHA4, SHA5 and SHA6

The Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) scored sites SHA1 and SHA4 as High for archaeological potential and SHA5 and SHA6 as Medium for archaeological potential.

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification to include one additional criterion within the Key Development Principles to SHA1, SHA4, SHA5 and SHA6 as follows:

"Evaluative archaeological recording documentation will need to be submitted with any formal planning application for the site.

HE welcomes the addition of the above criterion.

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification under the supporting text for Policies SHA1 and SHA4, a new subheading and text as follows:

"Historic Environment

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring high for archaeological potential and medium for Sensitivity scoring for the contribution of the proposed allocation to the significance and setting of known heritage assets.

There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features Therefore, evaluative archaeological recording documentation is likely to be required for any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification under the supporting text to Policies SHA5 and SHA6, a new subheading and text as follows:

"Historic Environment

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential and medium for Sensitivity scoring for the contribution of the proposed allocation to the significance and setting of known heritage assets.

There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features.) Therefore, evaluative archaeological recording likely in the form of trenching is likely to be required for any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion). The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

Strategic Housing Allocation Site – SHA2

HE notes that the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) gives the site a Heritage Sensitivity Score of Medium. Given the findings of the Assessment, HE considers that this should be High.

From HE's perspective, whilst they respect that the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) was carried out by heritage professionals on behalf of NBBC, HE consider that the Heritage Sensitivity score should be High due to the number of heritage assets that have the potential for their significance to be harmed, and the fact that several of these are assets of the highest significance.

Furthermore, HE considers that whilst there may be opportunities for harm to be mitigated through the design of SHA2, landscaping and enhancements, this would require further assessment through a Heritage Impact Assessment, which should accompany any planning application. NBBC requires any application affecting a heritage asset to undertake a Heritage Impact Assessment, outlined in Policy BE4.

HE also notes that the study area contains a range of non-designated heritage assets and that a programme of archaeological recording is required, in accordance with the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022).

From NBBC's perspective, the assessment was undertaken by heritage professionals on behalf of NBBC and therefore must support the assessment but is accepting that HE considers the site should score higher. Heritage is covered in Policy BE4. Notwithstanding this, NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification to include one additional criterion within the Key Development Principles to SHA2 as follows:

"A Heritage Impact Assessment will need to be submitted with any formal planning application for this site, this will need to include evaluative archaeological recording likely in the form of evaluation trenching."

HE welcomes the addition of this criterion.

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification under the supporting text for Policy SHA2, a new subheading and text as follows:

"Historic Environment

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium under the Sensitivity scoring for the contribution of the proposed allocation to the significance and setting of known heritage assets and medium for archaeological potential. Historic England consider the Sensitivity scoring should be high and that there is potential for any development on this site to impact on the historic environment.

A Heritage Impact Assessment is therefore required to be submitted with any formal planning application for this site to consider the potential impacts on designated and non-designated heritage assets (to include evaluative archaeological recording in the form of evaluation trenching. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion). The level of such archaeological work will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

<u>Strategic Housing Allocation Site – SHA6</u>

The Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) recommends preserving/enhancing views to the Grade II listed engine house, from SHA6, alongside the setting of the canal. However, no requirement is made in Strategic Policy SHA6 to preserve the industrial character of the Coventry Canal and its historic relationship with the engine house.

However, the strip of land with views along the canal towards the Grade II engine house is classified as Green Belt land and has not been allocated as part of the housing site. Therefore, this view will not be inhibited by the development of SHA6.

<u>Strategic Employment Allocation Sites – SEA2, SEA3, SEA4, SEA6 and CEM1</u> HE notes that the above Policies do not include a requirement for a programme of archaeological recording, as recommended in the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022).

HE considers that assessments, in relation to the historic environment, should be undertaken for all sites where there is the potential for impacts on designated and non-designated heritage assets at the planning application stage and that this requirement should be set out in the relevant allocation policy or guidance, as stated in HE's Regulation 19 response.

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification to include one additional criterion within the Key Development Principles to SEA2, SEA3, SEA4, and SEA6:

"Evaluative archaeological recording will need to be submitted with any formal planning application for the site.

HE welcomes the addition of this criterion.

NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification under the supporting text for Policies SEA2, SEA3, SEA4, SEA6 and CEM, a new subheading and text as follows:

"Historic Environment

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for all, or parts of the site for archaeological potential and medium for Sensitivity scoring for the contribution of the proposed allocation to the significance and setting of known heritage assets.

There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features. Therefore, evaluative archaeological recording likely in the form of trenching is likely to be required with any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

HE welcomes the addition of this criterion.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Sites – NSRA1 to NSRA15

HE notes that the above non-strategic housing allocation sites do not include a requirement for a programme of archaeological recording, as recommended in the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022).

HE considers that assessments, in relation to the historic environment, should be undertaken for all sites where there is the potential for impacts on designated and non-designated heritage assets at the planning application stage and that this requirement should be set out in the relevant allocation policy or guidance, as stated in HE's Regulation 19 response.

NBBC considered that archaeological recordings would be required, on these sites, through Policy BE4. However, HE's comments are noted and NBBC advise that as these are Non-Strategic Sites they do not include Policies but guidance. NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text as follows:

For NSRA3, NSRA6, NSRA8, NRSA13 and NSRA15 to add_as follows: "This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential. There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features and any formal planning application will need to consider this and may require evaluation trenching to be submitted with any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology

prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

For NSRA10 to add as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential. There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features and any formal planning application will need to consider this and may require archaeological recording to be submitted with any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

For NSRA2 to add_as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential. There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features and any formal planning application will need to consider this and may require evaluative archaeological works to be submitted with any formal planning application. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

For NSRA1 to add as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential. There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features and any formal planning application will need to consider this and may require evaluation trenching to be submitted with any formal planning application and a watching brief may also be required. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

HE welcomes the addition of this text.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site – NSRA4

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) and previous comments on this proposed allocation from HE, no reference is made in the guidance, for site NSRA4, to development responding or enhancing the

special interests of the conservation area and the setting of the nearby listed buildings. HE believes this should be addressed and that a Heritage Impact Assessment be required prior to the granting of any planning permission for residential development on the site.

NBBC requires any application affecting a heritage asset to undertake a Heritage Impact Assessment, outlined in Policy BE4. However, notwithstanding this HE's comments are noted and NBBC advise that as this is a Non-Strategic Site it does not include Policies but guidance. NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA4 to add text as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as medium Sensitivity scoring for the contribution of the proposed allocation to the significance and setting of known heritage assets and whilst scoring limited potential for archaeological remains, the Document states that :"The south-east corner of the site is the least developed area and could contain surviving deposits. This area may warrant some further archaeological investigation to identify and record any archaeological remains which would be affected by the allocation.

Therefore, any formal planning application for this site will need to include the submission of a Heritage Impact Assessment to consider how development will respond or enhance the special interests of the site in the context of the Conservation Area and the setting of the nearby listed buildings. The Document will also need to include archaeological evaluation. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

HE welcomes the addition of this text.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site – NSRA5

The Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) scored the site as Medium for archaeological potential. However, the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022), for further archaeological evaluation, have not been reflected in guidance for site NSRA5.

NBBC consider that archaeological evaluation will be required, on this site, through Policy BE4. Notwithstanding this, NBBC advise that this is a Non-Strategic Site so does not include Policies but guidance. NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA5, to add_text as follows:

For NSRA5 to add as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as scoring medium for archaeological potential. There is potential for any development on this site to impact on archaeological features and may require evaluation archaeological recording with any formal planning application and may a watching brief may be required for the site.

(Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

HE welcomes the addition of this text.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site - NSRA7

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) and previous comments on this proposed allocation from HE, no reference is made in the guidance, for site NSRA7, to the proposed locally listed buildings, the impact on the setting of Nuneaton Town Centre Conservation Area and on the setting of the nearby Grade II listed Ritz Cinema building. HE also considers that there is an opportunity, through development, to give a better sense of the historic form of Abbey Street and restoration of a continuous street frontage, as per historic mapping.

NBBC believe these issues are considered in Policy BE4. However, notwithstanding this, HE's comments are noted and NBBC advise that as this is a Non-Strategic Site it does not include Policies but guidance. NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA7, to add_text as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) for development to potentially impact on proposed locally listed buildings, the impact on the setting of Nuneaton Town Centre Conservation Area and on the setting of the nearby Grade II listed Ritz Cinema building.

A Heritage Impact Assessment must be submitted with any formal planning application to consider heritage and non-heritage assets and consider the elements identified within the Heritage Site Assessment (2023). Development should consider the opportunity, for any development, to give a better sense of the historic form of Abbey Street and restoration of a continuous street frontage, as per historic mapping." (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.)

Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site - NSRA11

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) and previous comments on this proposed allocation from HE, no reference was made to guidance, for site NSRA11, to development considering opportunities to enhance the setting of the nearby Grade II listed Ritz Cinema building, including low rise development so as not to compete with the scale of the cinema.

Whilst NBBC believes consideration of the Ritz Cinema building is addressed through Policy BE4. NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA11, to add text as follows:

"This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) for development to potentially impact on the nearby Grade II listed Ritz Cinema. A Heritage Impact Assessment is therefore required to be submitted with any formal planning application to consider heritage and non-heritage assets including the former Ritz building. Development will also need to consider the opportunities to enhance the setting of the nearby Grade II Ritz Cinema listed including low rise development so as not to compete with the scale of the cinema.(Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion)"

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site – NSRA12

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022), no opportunity to maintain or improve access and public understanding of the rare historic landscape, the nearby remnant ancient woodland – Kings Wood, is made in the guidance for site NSRA12.

NBBC believe this issue is considered in Policy BE4. However, NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA12, to add text as follows:

This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review — Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) for development to potentially impact on the nearby ancient woodland of Kings Wood and the site has: "the potential to contain previously unidentified medieval and post-medieval remains which could be truncated or removed by ground works associated with the proposed allocation." The report recommends: "a programme of desk-based assessment and archaeological recording, likely in form of evaluation trenching, may be required to investigate the nature of and significance of any archaeological remains present. The results of this survey could be used to design a programme of mitigation measures intended to reduce or remove any potential impacts upon the archaeological resource of the area." It then follows on with: "proximity of a remnant of ancient woodland (Kings Wood) presents an opportunity to maintain or improve access and public understanding of a rare historic landscape.

Therefore, any formal planning application needs to demonstrate how the Kings Wood has been considered and evaluative archaeological recording documentation may need to be submitted. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site – NSRA13

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Site Assessment (2022), no reference is made in the guidance for NSRA13 to any requirement for further

archaeological recording. HE therefore suggests that the views of the Warwickshire County archaeological service are sought on this matter.

NBBC consider that archaeological recordings will be required, on these sites, through Policy BE4. However, NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA13, to add text as follows:

"This site has been identified in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023). The Assessment states:

"The development of the site will likely have an effect on the wider archaeological and historical setting of the site. The nature of the development has not been finalised, but it is likely that any intrusive activities within the site will have the potential to affect any hitherto undetected archaeological deposits within the site. While the site has been assessed to have a low archaeological potential, the possibility of as yet undetected archaeological material cannot be negated."

Therefore, evaluative archaeological recording such as evaluation trenching may be required with any planning application and potentially the site may require a watching brief. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.) The level of such Report will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

Non-Strategic Housing Allocation Site - NSRA14

HE notes that despite the recommendations of the Heritage Impact Assessment (2022) and HE's previous comments on this proposed allocation, no suggestion is made as to how development could respond to and enhance the special interests of the Nuneaton Town Centre Conservation Area and the setting of the nearby listed buildings, whilst also enhancing the significance and setting of the Conservation Area.

NBBC believe these issues are considered in Policy BE4. However, NBBC will request the Inspector to consider as a Minor Modification within the supporting text to NSRA14, to add text as follows:

This site has been noted in the evidence base work for the Borough Plan Review titled Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) as "being surrounded by, and partially within, the Nuneaton Town Centre Conservation Area." The Document also makes reference to nearby Listed Buildings and is within the medieval settlement of Nuneaton (MWA9548) and contains the site of the post-medieval Nuneaton Watermill (MWA5014). A small part of the modern George Eliot Memorial Gardens (MWA30888) is situated within the site. In terms of archaeology the Document states:

"the archaeological potential of the site is considered to be medium. The site is situated within the historic core of Nuneaton and Bedworth and as such it has the potential to contain medieval and post-medieval remains associated with the settlement and the former mill. The survival of such remains will have been affected by the development along Bridge Street and Church Street and by the construction of the Job Centre. However remains could survive in less

disturbed areas such as the carpark and the green space surrounding the jobcentre."

Therefore, a Heritage Impact Assessment should be submitted with any formal planning application to consider the comments in the Heritage Site Assessment Document in relation to heritage, non-heritage assets and to demonstrate how development could respond to and enhance the special interests of the Nuneaton Town Centre Conservation Area and the setting of the nearby listed buildings, whilst also enhancing the significance and setting of the Conservation Area. The Document will also need to provide evaluative archaeological recording documentation. (Historic England welcomes the addition of this criterion.) The level of such will need to be discussed with WCC Museums and Archaeology prior to any submission. For more information on heritage impacts refer to Nuneaton and Bedworth Local Plan Review – Heritage Site Assessment (June 2023) and Policy BE4."

Further joint working

This Statement of Common Ground will be kept up to date through continuous engagement and cooperation between NBBC and HE.

Monitoring

This Statement will be maintained by NBBC and updated as necessary with HE. NBBC will continue to work with HE beyond the adoption of the Borough Plan Review for the monitoring and implementation of the Plan

Signatories

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Appendix A

