Historic Environment

HE1 The Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of the Historic Environment

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE1 Policy: The Conservation, Protection and Enhancement of the Historic Environment
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• The policy will require development proposals affecting the historic environment to demonstrate how they will make a positive contribution to the character and distinctiveness of the historic environment of the local area by respecting historic plan form and reinforcing, conserving and/or enhancing special character taking into account factors including trees, hedges, green space and landscaping. • Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help sequester carbon emissions and contribute positively to climate change mitigation. • The impact is minor positive
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help could maximise opportunities to deliver to nature-based solutions to reduce the adverse impacts of the urban heat island effect, contributing positively to climate change adaptation. • The impact is minor positive
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could provide flood resilience to minimise flooding from all sources. • The impact is minor positive
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help intercept rainfall and infiltrate pollutants/harmful particulates, reducing the risk of them being transferred into water courses, minimising the risk of water pollution. • The impact is minor positive
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help minimise soil erosion or loss, and protect valuable soils.

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SO6	WASTE					• No significant impact
SO7	POLLUTION					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help sequester carbon emissions which has positive outcomes for air pollution, and could dampen noise from traffic, congestion and other human activities, which is expected to have positive outcomes on noise pollution. • The policy will specifically require development proposals affecting the historic environment to demonstrate how they will ensure that the impact of traffic, parking or other environmental matters such as lighting and noise are considered at an early stage to avoid harm to the historic environment. • The impact is minor positive
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help to minimise the loss of green infrastructure and prevent the fragmentation of habitats and maintaining wildlife/ecological corridors, contributing to nature recovery. • The impact is minor positive.
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help sustain wildlife species and habitats and prevent the loss of existing habitats. • The impact is minor positive.
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• The policy will require development proposals affecting the historic environment to demonstrate how they will make a positive contribution to the character and distinctiveness of the historic environment of the local area by respecting historic plan form and reinforcing, conserving and/or enhancing special character taking into account factors including setting, historical context, urban grain and layout, plot sizes, the public realm, boundary treatment, building lines, roofscapes, the mix of building types and uses, siting, scale, height, massing, appearance, traditional vernacular materials and finishes, and historic architectural detailing including windows and shop fronts.

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						• Development proposals affecting the historic environment are expected to preserve, and ensure clear legibility of and hierarchy of, locally distinctive vernacular building forms / groups of traditional vernacular buildings and their settings, features, fabric and materials whether within urban or rural areas or within historic farmstead complexes. • Development proposals should demonstrate how they will ensure the significance of the heritage asset and its setting is understood and used at an early stage to inform development proposals in order to avoid or minimise harm, ensuring that heritage is at the heart of place-making. • The impact is major positive
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• Development proposals affecting the historic environment are required to demonstrate how a positive contribution to the character and distinctiveness of the historic environment of the local area will be made. • The significance of the heritage asset, and its setting should be understood and used at an early stage to inform development proposals in order to avoid or minimise harm, ensuring that heritage is at the heart of place-making. • Development proposals affecting the historic environment will be expected to consider, and positively address the cumulative impact of incremental change from development on the significance of heritage assets. • Development proposals will need to demonstrate how opportunities will be identified and incorporated, which better reveal the significance of the historic environment, through protecting the setting of settlements, important views between historic settlements and across the landscape. • Current good practice advice and research produced by Historic England should be reflected in proposals. • Appropriate archaeological research and investigation (including above ground archaeology, such as buildings) should be undertaken at an early stage to understand significance and inform the design process. • The impact is major positive.
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• The policy requires proposals affecting the historic environment to preserve and ensure clear legibility of and hierarchy of locally distinctive vernacular building forms / groups of traditional vernacular buildings and their settings, features, fabric and materials whether within urban or rural areas or within historic farmstead complexes, which could create safer routes and

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						permeability for both pedestrians and cyclists as well as provide opportunities for enhancing connectivity. • The impact is minor positive.
SO14	HOUSING					• Conserving and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment could protect a mix of building types and uses, spaces and places local people use as homes, and/or shape the environment where local people live, and this is expected to have positive on housing supply. • Alternatively, conserving and/or enhancing special character of the Historic environment, could negatively impact the type and number of homes that could be delivered near or in close proximity to heritage assets and their setting, which could limit the amount of development that can be provided. • Proposals should mitigate impacts by identifying and fully incorporating opportunities to better reveal the significance of the historic environment, through protecting the setting of settlements, important views between historic settlements and across the landscape, reflecting the current good practice advice and research produced by Historic England and ensuring that appropriate archaeological research and investigation is undertaken at an early stage to understand significance and inform the design process • The impact is minor positive.
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment can make the local area special and pleasurable to experience and this could also provide benefits such as foster a sense of place and belonging, provide places and spaces that link to shared histories and identities, help people to connect and interact and shape their local identity, understand and learn about their cultural heritage which plays an important role in maintaining, preserving and improving the health and wellbeing of local population. • The impact is minor positive.
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment will help connect people to places providing identity and a sense of place and belonging, to unlock the local area's history and help explain why places are the way they are, confirming differences in cultural and historical diversity. • The impact is minor positive
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact

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SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the historic environment could help facilitate heritage tourism, which has the ability to attract tourists who will visit heritage attractions and partake in activities, which could provide business opportunities, and support investment and employment opportunities. • The impact is minor positive.
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the historic environment could help facilitate heritage tourism, which could have a positive impact on the viability and vitality of town and village centres. • The impact is minor positive
SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• Positive impacts are expected for skills acquisition and training as the policy is likely to generate employment opportunities and local jobs. • The impact is minor positive

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SA EFFECTS	**SO1 Climate Change Mitigation**	**SO2 Climate Change Adaptation**	**SO3 Flood Risk**	**SO4 Water resources/Quality**	**SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals**	**SO6 Waste**	**SO7 Pollution**	**SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure**	**SO9 Biodiversity**	**SO10 Landscape & Townscape**	**SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage**	**SO12 Digital Infrastructure**	**SO13 Travel & Accessibility**	**SO14 Housing**	**SO15 Health & Wellbeing**	**SO16 Quality of Life & Place**	**SO17 Social Deprivation**	**SO18 Economy & Employment**	**SO19 Town & Village Centres**	**SO20 Education & Skills**
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COMMENTARY:	
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption.
Mitigation Measures	• Any potential impacts on the historic environment need to be considered early in the design process to ensure that they can be minimised or avoided. • Any archaeological research and investigation that is necessary also needs to be carried out at an early stage in order to inform the design process, and this includes any investigative work on above ground archaeology such as buildings. • Proposals could also mitigate impacts by identifying and fully incorporating opportunities to better reveal the significance of the historic environment through protecting the setting of settlements, important views between historic settlements and across the landscape, reflecting the current good practice advice and research produced by Historic England. • The implementation of specific Local Plan policies in relation to Climate Change, Design, the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, Infrastructure, the Spatial Strategy, Economy and Town Centres could help mitigate other impacts.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive as the policy will ensure development proposals affecting the historic environment are managed positively and continuously for the multiple benefit of the existing population and visitors, whilst protecting and conserving the historic environment for future generations to enjoy. The cumulative impact of incremental small-scale change on the significance of heritage assets can have as great an effect as a larger scale change and again, needs to be considered early in the design process.

Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage; and SO16 Quality of Life and Place** • The policy will ensure the conservation, protection and enhancement of the historic environment. • The policy has been informed by national policy (NPPF and PPG). • The policy requires heritage to be at the heart of place-making and will ensure heritage is considered early in the design process. • The policy will ensure proposals conserve, protect and enhance the significance, diversity, local character and distinctiveness of the historic environment, including heritage assets, settings and landscapes, through the positive management of development and the management of change, for its future conservation and enjoyment, contributing to good design and sustainable development. • The policy makes clear the criteria that could affect the historic environment, which applicants must demonstrate have been addressed, to satisfy the Council that the significance of Wealden's historic environment, including heritage assets and their settings and landscapes are protected and not diminished for future generations. Minor Positive Effects: **SO1 Climate Change Mitigation; SO2 Climate Change Adaptation; SO3 Flood risk; SO4 Water resources/quality; SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals; SO7 Pollution; SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure; SO9 Biodiversity; SO13 Travel & Accessibility; SO14 Housing; SO15 Health & Wellbeing; SO17 Social Deprivation; SO18 Economy & Employment; SO19 Town & Village Centres and SO20 Education & Skills** • The policy has a minor positive impact against the majority of sustainability objectives. • Conserving a heritage asset and the setting of a heritage asset and/or enhancing the special character of the historic environment, including trees, hedges, green space, landscaping and other planting could help sequester carbon emissions, air and noise pollution, and contribute positively to climate change adaptation. • The policy could also maximise opportunities to deliver nature-based solutions to reduce the adverse impacts of the urban heat island effect, contributing positively to climate change adaptation, provide flood resilience to minimise flooding from all sources and could help reduce the risk of water pollution and soil loss/erosion and contribute to nature recovery and sustaining biodiversity. • Proposals affecting the historic environment are required to preserve and ensure clear legibility of and hierarchy of locally distinctive vernacular building forms / groups of traditional vernacular buildings and their settings, features, fabric and materials whether within urban or rural areas or within historic farmstead complexes. • Conserving and/or enhancing the special character of the Historic environment could protect a mix of building types and uses, spaces and places local people use as homes, and/or shape the environment where local people live, and this is expected to have positive effect for housing and quality of life and place. • The policy could also help facilitate heritage tourism, which could provide business opportunities, and support investment and employment opportunities, contributing positively to economic activity and the viability and vitality of town and village centres. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect. Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Minor Positive effect.

HE2 Heritage Assets

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE2 Policy: Heritage Assets
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SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• The policy supports proposals affecting heritage assets that seek to install energy efficiency improvements or improve environmental sustainability where it can be demonstrated that the proposed measures take a 'whole building approach' and are suitable for the asset, and informed by an understanding of their specific performance, including construction and materials. This is expected to have a positive impact on carbon emissions and contribute to climate change mitigation. • The suitability of improvements will need to be weighed against the significance of the asset and/or its setting, or any features of special architectural / heritage interest that may be impacted. • The impact is major positive
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• The policy offers opportunities for energy efficiency improvements, and this is expected to contribute to climate change adaptation. • The impact is major positive.
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• No significant impact
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• No significant impact
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• Many historic buildings incorporate a mix of uses and are of high densities. Therefore, conserving and enhancing historic buildings through the policy is expected to encourage the efficient use of land, an existing building and/or infrastructure. • In addition, the policy supports change of use of heritage assets where appropriate and this is expected to reduce greenfield development and the amount of derelict, underused and vacant land, and promote the re-use of buildings. • The impact is major positive
SO6	WASTE					• The policy will help to reduce waste by minimising the use of materials through the retention and repair of historic buildings. • The impact is major positive
SO7	POLLUTION					• Historic buildings are generally highly 'sustainable' having usually been built of local, natural materials with a low inherent carbon footprint. • Conserving and enhancing historic buildings through the policy is expected to minimise their removal and replacement with traditional buildings and materials that would likely use more

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						energy and resources than their retention and repair using traditional, local materials. This is expected to have positive impacts on air pollution. • The impact is major positive
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• No significant impact
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• Setting and views to and from heritage assets can form an important and integral part of their significance and development must be informed by an understanding of setting in accordance with current Historic England good practice advice, including a consideration of where change may better reveal significance and where views are important and should be respected and protected. • The policy will support proposals that retain and enhance the setting of, and views to and from heritage assets, subject to other policies in the Local Plan. • Development that would demonstrably harm the significance of the heritage asset through development within its setting will normally be resisted. • The impact is major positive.
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• The policy supports proposals that seek to safeguard, conserve and enhance the significance of heritage assets (including non-designated heritage assets), their historic function and their setting, making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness. • Any development affecting a heritage asset (both designated and non-designated) and /or its setting must demonstrate sufficient understanding of the significance of the heritage asset and / or its setting through the provision of a heritage statement, which provides detail proportionate to the importance of the heritage asset. • Change of use of heritage assets will only be permitted where the proposed use is considered to be the optimum viable use. • The policy will promote the use of a 'whole building approach' for proposals affecting heritage assets that seek to install energy efficiency improvements or improve environmental sustainability. • The policy ensures that development affecting a heritage asset does not compromise future restoration opportunities for that heritage asset because of a lack of forethought. In relation to loss or partial loss of a heritage asset the policy will require an applicant to secure evidence to justify the works.

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						• The policy will allow harm to be balanced against the public benefits of the proposal when a proposal either causes less than substantial or substantial harm. • Proposals will be supported where a positive commitment is made to retain a non-designated heritage asset and its architectural and design features are considered positively and retained. • The impact is major positive.
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• No significant impact
SO14	HOUSING					• Conserving and enhancing heritage assets such as listed buildings, through the policy could provide homes that would help meet part of the District's local housing need. • The policy requires new development to conserve and enhance heritage assets and their setting whilst being sympathetic to the landscape character. • An assessment of significance through a Heritage Statement is critical to understanding any potential harm. • The impact is minor positive
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• Conserving and/or enhancing heritage assets and their setting can make the local area special and pleasurable to experience and could also provide benefits such as foster a sense of place and belonging, provide places and spaces that link to shared histories and identities, helping people to connect and interact and shaping their local identity, understanding and learning, and this plays an important role in maintaining, preserving and improving the health and wellbeing of local population. • The impact is minor positive.
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• Conserving and/or enhancing heritage assets will help connect people to places providing identity and a sense of place and belonging. • The impact is major positive.
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact
SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• The policy recognises the benefits of securing the long-term survival and enhancement of heritage assets. The economic value of the long-term preservation of heritage assets stems from the fact that it supports the visitor economy, businesses and other activities and viable uses which are likely to boost the local economy.

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						• The impact is minor positive.
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• Conserving and/or enhancing heritage assets and their settings could help facilitate heritage tourism which could also impact footfall and economic activity positively, contributing to the viability and vitality of town and village centres. • The impact is minor positive.
SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• Positive impacts are expected for skills acquisition and training as the policy is likely to generate employment opportunities and local jobs. • The impact is minor positive.

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SA EFFECTS	SO1 Climate Change Mitigation	SO2 Climate Change Adaptation	SO3 Flood Risk	SO4 Water resources/Quality	SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals	SO6 Waste	SO7 Pollution	SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure	SO9 Biodiversity	SO10 Landscape & Townscape	SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage	SO12 Digital Infrastructure	SO13 Travel & Accessibility	SO14 Housing	SO15 Health & Wellbeing	SO16 Quality of Life & Place	SO17 Social Deprivation	SO18 Economy & Employment	SO19 Town & Village Centres	SO20 Education & Skills
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COMMENTARY:	Policy NO: HE2 Policy: Heritage Assets
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption of the Plan**.**
Mitigation Measures	• Any development affecting a heritage asset (both designated and non-designated) and /or its setting must demonstrate sufficient understanding of the significance of the heritage asset and / or its setting through the provision of a heritage statement which provides detail proportionate to the importance of the heritage asset. • Setting and views to and from heritage assets can form an important and integral part of their significance and development must be informed by an understanding of setting in accordance with current Historic England good practice advice including a consideration of where change may better reveal significance and where views are important and should be respected and protected. • Where a proposal will result in the partial or total loss of a heritage asset or its setting, the applicant will be required to secure a programme of recording and analysis of that asset and archaeological excavation where relevant and ensure that the information is recorded to an appropriate standard and submitted to the East Sussex Historic Environment Record. • Where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, it will only be supported where it can be demonstrated that there are heritage benefits and that the harm can be weighed against the public benefits including securing the optimum viable use of the heritage asset.

	• Proposals affecting heritage assets that seek to install energy efficiency improvements or improve environmental sustainability will be supported where it can be demonstrated that the proposed measures take a 'whole building approach' and are suitable for the asset, and informed by an understanding of their specific performance, including construction and materials. • The implementation of specific Local Plan policies in relation to Climate Change, Design, the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, the Spatial Strategy, Economy, Town Centres and Infrastructure could help mitigate other impacts.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive as the policy will ensure development proposals affecting heritage assets and their setting conserve and enhance the significance of the heritage asset and the District's unique heritage offer whilst making a positive contribution to the local character and distinctiveness of the local area.
Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO1 Climate Change Mitigation; SO2 Climate Change Adaptation; SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals; S06 Waste; SO7 Pollution; SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage; and SO16 Quality of Life and Place** • The policy recognises the value of safeguarding, conserving and enhancing the significance, historic function and the setting of heritage assets and the wider historic environment, whilst making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness. • The policy has been informed by the NPPF, The East Sussex Historic Environment Record (ESHER), maintained by East Sussex County Council, Conservation Area Character Appraisals and other sources of information including the Heritage Gateway, the Historic England Advice, The Keep, local history societies and museums, the High Weald AONB Management Plan and Housing Design Guide, the National and Local Landscape Characterisation and Sensitivity Studies and other guidance as relevant. • The policy will support proposals affecting heritage assets that seek to install energy efficiency improvements or improve environmental sustainability where it can be demonstrated that the proposed measures take a 'whole building approach' and are suitable for the asset, and informed by an understanding of their specific performance, including construction and materials, which is expected to have a positive impact on carbon emissions and contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation. • Many historic buildings incorporate a mix of uses and are of high densities, therefore, conserving and enhancing historic buildings through the policy is expected to encourage the efficient use of land, an existing building and/or infrastructure. • The policy supports the change of use of heritage assets where appropriate and this is expected to reduce greenfield development and the amount of derelict, underused and vacant land, and promote the re-use of buildings. • The policy will help to reduce waste by minimising the use of materials through the retention and repair of historic buildings. • The policy supports proposals that seek to safeguard, conserve and enhance the significance of heritage assets (including non-designated heritage assets), their historic function and their setting, making a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness. • Conserving and/or enhancing heritage assets will help connect people to places providing identity and a sense of place and belonging. Minor Positive Effects: **SO14 Housing**; **SO15 Health & Wellbeing; SO18 Economy & Employment; SO19 Town & Village Centres; SO20 Education & Skills;** • Conserving and enhancing heritage assets such as listed buildings, through the policy could provide homes that would help meet part of the District's local housing need. • Conserving and/or enhancing heritage assets and their setting can make the local area special and pleasurable to experience and could also provide benefits such as foster a sense of place and belonging, provide places and spaces that link to shared histories and identities, helping people to connect and interact and shaping their local identity, understanding and learning. • The policy recognises the benefits of securing the long-term survival and enhancement of heritage assets. The economic value of the long-term preservation of heritage assets supports the visitor economy, businesses, including high street businesses and local jobs, which are likely to boost the local economy and the vitality and viability of town and village centres. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect.

	Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Major Positive effect.

HE3 Conservation Areas

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE3 Policy: Conservation Areas
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SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• The policy supports proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area where they involve restoring original details, historic fabric or preserving or enhancing specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area, which could help sequester carbon emissions and contribute to climate change mitigation. • The impact is minor positive
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• Preserving and enhancing the landscaping features of Conservation Areas could enable cooling through evapotranspiration and shading and this positively impact rising temperatures with positive impacts on the urban heat island effect. • The impact is minor positive
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• Flood risk will be minimised as proposals within or adjoining a Conservation seek to preserve or enhance specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area, which could provide flood resilience to minimise flooding from all sources. • The impact is minor positive
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• Water quality and quantity will be protected as proposals within or adjoining a Conservation seek to preserve or enhance specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area. • Preserving and enhancing the landscaping features of Conservation Areas could help intercept rainfall and infiltrate pollutants/harmful particulates, reducing the risk of them being transferred into water courses, minimising the risk of water pollution. • The impact is minor positive
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• The preservation and enhancement of landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area could help to minimise soil erosion or loss and protect valuable soils. • The impact is minor positive
SO6	WASTE					• No significant impact

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SO7	POLLUTION					• The preservation and enhance of landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area, could help sequester carbon emissions which have positive outcomes for air pollution as well as dampen noise from traffic, congestion and other human activities. • The impact is minor positive
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• The preservation and enhancement of landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area should help to create new green infrastructure, minimise the loss of green infrastructure and prevent the fragmentation of habitats and maintaining wildlife corridors, contributing to nature recovery. • The impact is major positive.
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• The preservation and enhancement of landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area is likely to create new habitats, sustain wildlife species and habitats and prevent the loss of existing habitats. • The impact is major positive.
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• The policy explicitly requires proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area to preserve and enhance specific features of interest including landscaping features that contribute positively to the area's character, appearance and setting, including the townscape appearance. • Proposals are required to assess, and mitigate against, any direct or indirect adverse impact on the significance of a Conservation Area and should be informed by and respond to the Conservation Area Character Appraisals and any future Management Strategy the proposal might have on the townscape and landscape. • The impact is major positive.
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• The policy will support proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area where they preserve or enhance the existing architectural, historic character, townscape appearance, quality and setting of a designated Conservation Area. • Proposals will need to take account of and respond to the relevant Conservation Area Character Appraisal and future management strategy when considering the design, scale, positioning, grouping, density and detailing of the development. • Proposals will be supported where they involve restoring original details, historic fabric or preserving or enhancing specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, walls, fences, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area.

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						• Building materials and finishes will be required that respect the area. • Buildings that make a negative or neutral contribution to a Conservation Area may be replaced or refurbished where this will result in a high-quality design and an enhancement to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area, including replacement of shopfronts of inappropriate/poor design in line with other policies in the Local Plan. • The policy will resist inappropriate alterations to unlisted buildings that make a positive contribution to a Conservation Area. • The impact is major positive.
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• No significant impact
SO14	HOUSING					• No significant impact
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• Preserving and enhancing the special architectural or historic interest of Conservation Areas within the District is likely to increase public use and enjoyment which has positive impacts on health and wellbeing. • The impact is minor positive
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• By preserving and enhancing the special architectural or historic interest of Conservation Areas within the District, local people can access and enjoy nature close to where they live, and this can enhance quality of life. • The impact is minor positive.
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact
SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• Preserving and enhancing the special architectural or historic interest of Conservation Areas is likely to make the District more attractive to visitors and businesses, which is expected to boost the economic activity and job creation and stimulate the local economy. • The impact is minor positive
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• Preserving and enhancing the special architectural or historic interest of Conservation Areas is likely to make town and village centres more attractive to visitors and businesses which is expected to increase footfall and activity, contributing to viability and vitality. • The impact is minor positive.

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SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• Positive impacts are expected on skills acquisition and training as the policy is likely to generate employment opportunities and local jobs. • The impact is minor positive

SUMMARY OF RESULTS	Policy No:HE3							Policy: Conservation Areas												
SA EFFECTS	SO1 Climate Change Mitigation	SO2 Climate Change Adaptation	SO3 Flood Risk	SO4 Water resources/Quality	SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals	SO6 Waste	SO7 Pollution	SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure	SO9 Biodiversity	SO10 Landscape & Townscape	SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage	SO12 Digital Infrastructure	SO13 Travel & Accessibility	SO14 Housing	SO15 Health & Wellbeing	SO16 Quality of Life & Place	SO17 Social Deprivation	SO18 Economy & Employment	SO19 Town & Village Centres	SO20 Education & Skills
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COMMENTARY:	
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption of the Plan**.**
Mitigation Measures	• Proposals will need to demonstrate that they will preserve or enhance the special character of a Conservation Area when considering design, scale and density of development and also building materials and finishes. • Planning applications which directly or indirectly affect the significance of a Conservation Area should be informed by and respond to the Conservation Area Character Appraisals and any future Management Strategy. • Buildings that make a negative or neutral contribution to a Conservation Area may be replaced or refurbished where this will result in a high-quality design and an enhancement to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area including replacement of shopfronts of inappropriate/poor design. • Inappropriate alterations to unlisted buildings that make a positive contribution to a Conservation Area, will be resisted. • Proposals will be subject to other policies in the Local Plan in relation to Climate Change, Design, the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, the Spatial Strategy, Economy, Town Centres and Infrastructure, which will provide additional mitigation measures.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive as the policy will ensure development proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area seek to preserve or enhance the existing architectural, historic character, townscape appearance, quality and setting of a designated Conservation Area, where

	proposals are within or adjoining Conservation Areas. Where inappropriate development gradually erodes the special architectural or historic character Conservation Areas despite their designation, an Article 4 Direction will be imposed.
Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure;SO9 Biodiversity; SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage** • The policy will ensure proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area preserve or enhance the existing architectural, historic character, townscape appearance, quality and setting of a designated Conservation Area. • The policy has been informed by Conservation Area Character Appraisals. • The policy will allow proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area to restore the original details, historic fabric or preserve or enhance the specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, walls, fences, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area. • The policy will ensure proposals within or adjoining Conservation Areas, preserve or enhance the special character of a Conservation Area when considering design, scale and density of development and also building materials and finishes. Minor Positive Effects: **SO1 Climate Change Mitigation; SO2 Climate Change Adaptation; SO3 Flood risk; SO4 Water resources/quality; SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals; SO7 Pollution; SO15 Health & Wellbeing; SO16 Quality of Life and Place; SO17 Social Deprivation; SO18 Economy & Employment; SO19 Town & Village Centres**; **and SO20 Education & Skills** • The policy will support proposals within or adjoining a Conservation Area where they involve restoring original details, historic fabric or preserving or enhancing specific features of interest including landscaping features such as trees, green infrastructure and other special features that make a positive contribution to the character and appearance of a Conservation Area • The policy could help sequester carbon emissions, and contribute positively to climate change mitigation and adaptation, air and noise pollution, flood risk, and water and soil quality. • Preserving and enhancing the special architectural or historic interest of Conservation Areas within the District is likely to increase public use and enjoyment which has positive impacts on health and wellbeing and quality of life and make the District more attractive to visitors and businesses, which could boost economic activity and job creation, which will promote the vitality and viability of town and village centres as well as stimulate the local economy. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect. Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Minor positive effect.

HE4 Enabling Development

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE4 Policy: Enabling Development
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• No significant impact
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• No significant impact
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• No significant impact
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• No significant impact
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• No significant impact
SO6	WASTE					• No significant impact
SO7	POLLUTION					• No significant impact
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• No significant impact
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• The policy could result in the delivery of enabling development which minimises potential adverse effects on a heritage asset and its setting and provides positive benefits for landscape and townscape. • The impact is minor positive.
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• The policy will ensure that proposals for enabling development demonstrate that there is clear justification and evidence that there are no alternative ways of achieving the same outcome for the heritage asset, including through sources of public and private investment. • Proposals for enabling development should not materially harm the significance of the heritage asset or its setting.

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE4 Policy: Enabling Development
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
						• Proposals are required to solve the conservation requirements of the heritage asset and is proportionate to the 'conservation deficit', the amount of enabling development being the minimum necessary to secure the future of the heritage asset • Proposals will have to meet the requirements set out in Historic England Good Practice Advice and must be accompanied by a costed conservation management plan, the conservation benefits to be secured under a S106 Planning Obligation. • The impact is major positive
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• No significant impact
SO14	HOUSING					• Proposals for enabling development could result in the delivery of additional housing, for example within the grounds of a heritage asset. The provision of housing could secure the long-term future and safety of a heritage asset and could provide maximum revenue compared to other uses. • The impact is minor positive.
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• No significant impact
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• The policy could result in the delivery of enabling development and create a place and/or space which will contribute towards quality of life and social cohesion. • The impact is minor positive.
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact
SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• The policy will secure the future conservation of heritage assets which could boost heritage tourism and create local jobs which is expected to stimulate the local economy. Enabling developments in themselves can facilitate the regeneration of areas where they are located, and this is also expected to support economic growth. • The impact is minor positive
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• The policy would secure the future conservation of heritage assets which could boost heritage tourism and contribute to the vitality and viability of town and village centres. • The impact is minor positive
SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• No significant impact

SUMMARY OF RESULTS	Policy No: HE4																		
Policy: Enabling Development																			
SA EFFECTS	SO1 Climate Change Mitigation	SO2 Climate Change Adaptation	SO3 Flood Risk	SO4 Water resources/Quality	SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals	SO6 Waste	SO7 Pollution	SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure	SO9 Biodiversity	SO10 Landscape & Townscape	SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage	SO12 Digital Infrastructure	SO13 Travel & Accessibility	SO14 Housing	SO15 Health & Wellbeing	SO16 Quality of Life & Place	SO17 Social Deprivation	SO18 Economy & Employment	SO19 Town & Village Centres	SO20 Education & Skills
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COMMENTARY:	
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption
Mitigation Measures	• Applicants will have to demonstrate that they have investigated all alternative ways of securing the asset, including sources of public and private investment before submitting a proposal for an enabling development. • A costed conservation management plan will have to accompany any application for enabling development and should identify the correct level of conservation that will sustain the asset in the long term and justify the scale of enabling development proposed. • To avoid development being carried out without the conservation benefits being achieved, the benefits will be secured using a S106 agreement. • Proposals will be subject to other policies in the Local Plan in relation to Design, the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, Housing, the Spatial Strategy, Economy, Town Centres and Infrastructure which will provide additional mitigation measures.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive where an enabling development is required to secure the long-term future conservation of a heritage asset, and, where applicable, its continued use for a sympathetic purpose, only where the public benefit of securing the future of the heritage asset through such enabling development would decisively outweigh the harm of departing from the development plan or from national planning policies.

Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage** • The policy provides for enabling development which would ordinarily conflict with other planning policies but would secure the long-term future conservation of a heritage asset, and its continued use for a sympathetic purpose, where the public benefit of securing the future of the heritage asset through such enabling development would decisively outweigh the harm of departing from the development plan or from national planning policies. • The policy has been informed by the NPPF. • The policy will ensure development that would solve the conservation needs of a heritage asset (not the financial needs of the present owner or to compensate for the price paid for the site) and would secure the future of heritage assets in the District are delivered where it is demonstrated that all alternative ways of securing the asset, including sources of public and private investment have been investigated. Minor Positive Effects: **SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO14 Housing; SO16 Quality of Life and Place; SO18 Economy & Employment; SO19 Town & Village Centres**; **and SO20 Education & Village Skills** • The policy could enable the provision of housing by securing the long term future and safety of a heritage asset and could provide maximum revenue, compared to other uses, to meet the costs of repair of a dilapidated heritage asset or converting it to optimum viable use if appropriate. • The policy could result in the delivery of well-designed enabling development, which minimises potential adverse effects on a heritage asset and its setting and create a place or space which will contribute towards quality of life and social cohesion. • The policy could also provide a boost to heritage tourism and create jobs which is expected to stimulate the economic vitality across the District, including town and village centres. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect. Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Minor Positive effect.

HE5 Historic Parks and Gardens

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE5 Policy: Historic Parks and Gardens
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• The policy recognises the importance of conserving and enhancing the wide range landscape features (e.g. open space, planting, water features, built features and archaeological remains) which make up Historic Parks and Gardens and their setting. • Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help sequester carbon emissions and contribute positively to climate change mitigation. • The impact is minor positive
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could maximise opportunities to deliver nature-based solutions to reduce the adverse impacts of the urban heat island effect, contributing positively to climate change adaptation. • The impact is minor positive
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could provide flood resilience to minimise flooding from all sources. • The impact is minor positive
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help intercept rainfall and infiltrate pollutants/harmful particulates, reducing the risk of them being transferred into water courses, minimising the risk of water pollution. • The impact is minor positive
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help minimise soil erosion or loss, and protect valuable soils. • The impact is minor positive
SO6	WASTE					• No significant impact
SO7	POLLUTION					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help sequester carbon emissions which has positive outcomes for air pollution and dampen noise from traffic, congestion and other human activities, which is expected to have positive outcomes on noise pollution. • The impact is minor positive

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE5 Policy: Historic Parks and Gardens
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help to minimise the loss of green infrastructure and prevent the fragmentation of habitats and maintain wildlife corridors, contributing to nature recovery. • The impact is minor positive.
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• Preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens could help sustain wildlife species and habitats and prevent the loss of existing habitats. • The impact is minor positive.
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• The policy will support development proposals affecting Historic Parks and Gardens on the national register or of local significance where they maintain, conserve or enhance character, appearance and the setting of these landscapes, including significant views to and from the park or garden. • The impact is major positive
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• Development proposals will be supported where it is shown that they maintain, conserve or enhance the special historic interest, significance, character and appearance and design and layout of these landscapes, including significant views to and from the park or garden and take opportunities to restore original features and increase public access, where appropriate. • Proposals affecting Registered Parks and Gardens must be able to demonstrate that any harm can be outweighed by public benefits commensurate to the level of harm arising. • Where proposals affect non designated Historic Parks and Gardens consideration will be given to the significance of the asset, the extent of impact on its significance, as well as the scale of any harm or loss to the asset as balanced against the public benefits that may result from the development proposal. • The impact is major positive
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• The policy will support development proposals where they take opportunities to restore original features and increase public access where appropriate. This is likely to improve connectivity and promote the use of sustainable and actives modes of travel. • The impact is minor positive.
SO14	HOUSING					• No significant impact

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE5 Policy: Historic Parks and Gardens
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• By maintaining, conserving and/or enhancing the special historic interest and significance of Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy will promote a sense of belonging, cultural identity and meaning, solidarity/unity and social cohesion, and provide fulfilment and pleasure; all elements strongly linked to the mental health and wellbeing. • The impact is minor positive
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• By maintaining, conserving and/or enhancing the special historic interest and significance of Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy will promote a sense of belonging, cultural identity, solidarity/unity and social cohesion amongst local residents and communities. • The impact is minor positive
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact
SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• By maintaining, conserving and/or enhancing the special historic interest and significance of Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy will promote heritage tourism which is linked to economy growth and job creation. • The impact is minor positive.
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• By maintaining, conserving and/or enhancing the special historic interest and significance of Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy will facilitate heritage which will positively impact on footfall and activity which is linked with the viability and vitality of town and village centres. • The impact is minor positive.
SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• Positive impacts are expected for skills acquisition and training as the policy is likely to generate employment opportunities and local jobs. • The impact is minor positive.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS	Policy No: HE5																			
SA EFFECTS	**SO1 Climate Change Mitigation**	**SO2 Climate Change Adaptation**	**SO3 Flood Risk**	**SO4 Water resources/Quality**	**SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals**	**SO6 Waste**	**SO7 Pollution**	**SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure**	**SO9 Biodiversity**	**SO10 Landscape & Townscape**	**SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage**	**SO12 Digital Infrastructure**	**SO13 Travel & Accessibility**	**SO14 Housing**	**SO15 Health & Wellbeing**	**SO16 Quality of Life & Place**	**SO17 Social Deprivation**	**SO18 Economy & Employment**	**SO19 Town & Village Centres**	**SO20 Education & Skills**
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COMMENTARY:	
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption.
Mitigation Measures	• Proposals affecting Registered Parks and Gardens, must be able to demonstrate that any harm can be outweighed by public benefits commensurate to the level of harm arising. • Where proposals affect non designated Historic Parks and Gardens consideration will be given to the significance of the asset, the extent of impact on its significance, as well as the scale of any harm or loss to the asset as balanced against the public benefits that may result from the development proposal. • The implementation of specific Local Plan policies in relation to Climate Change, the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, the Spatial Strategy, Economy, Town Centres and Infrastructure will help mitigate other impacts.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive as the policy will ensure development proposals affecting Historic Parks and Gardens on the national register or of local significance preserve or enhance the special historic interest, significance, character and appearance and design and layout of the landscape feature.

Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage** • The policy will ensure development proposals affecting Historic Parks and Gardens on the national register or of local significance maintain, conserve or enhance the special historic interest, significance, character and appearance and design and layout of landscape features such as open space, views in and out, planting, water features, built features and archaeological remains, that make up Historic Parks and Gardens. • The policy has been informed by designed landscapes which are considered significant enough to be designated and included on the Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest in England, compiled by Historic England, and there are those of local significance. • The policy will ensure development proposals conserve and enhance the setting of the landscape features that make up Historic Parks and gardens, including significant views to and from the park or garden. • The policy also ensures that applicants are clear on the circumstances where development affecting Historic Parks and gardens, both registered and unregistered, may be acceptable. Minor Positive Effects: **SO1 Climate Change Mitigation; SO2 Climate Change Adaptation; SO3 Flood risk; SO4 Water resources/quality; SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals; SO7 Pollution; SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure; SO9 Biodiversity; SO14 Travel & Accessibility; SO15 Health & Wellbeing; SO16 Quality of Life and Place; SO17 Social Deprivation; SO18 Economy & Employment; SO19 Town & Village Centres and SO20 Education & Skills** • By preserving and enhancing landscapes features, including open space and other planting that make up Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy could help sequester carbon emissions and contribute positively to climate change mitigation and adaptation, air and noise pollution, flood risk, water and soil quality, nature recovery and biodiversity. • The policy supports development proposals where they take opportunities to restore original features and increase public access where appropriate, which is likely to improve connectivity and promote the use of sustainable and actives modes of travel. • By maintaining, conserving and/or enhancing the special historic interest and significance of Historic Parks and Gardens, the policy will promote a sense of belonging, cultural identity and meaning, solidarity/unity and social cohesion, and provide fulfilment and pleasure; all elements strongly linked to the mental health and wellbeing, and quality of life. • The policy will also promote heritage tourism, which is linked to economy growth, the vitality and viability of town and village centres and job creation. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect. Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Minor Positive effect.

HE6 Archaeology

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE6 Policy: Archaeology
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO1	CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION					• No significant impact
SO2	CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION					• No significant impact
SO3	FLOOD RISK					• No significant impact
SO4	WATER RESOURCES & QUALITY					• No significant impact
SO5	SOIL, LAND & MINERALS					• Preserving, protecting and/or enhancing the District's archaeological heritage above and/or below the ground, is also likely to maintain, conserve and enhance soil quality and mineral resources. • The impact is minor positive.
SO6	WASTE					• No significant impact
SO7	POLLUTION					• No significant impact
SO8	GREEN & BLUE INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO9	BIODIVERSITY					• No significant impact
SO10	LANDSCAPE & TOWNSCAPE					• Preserving, protecting and/or enhancing the District's archaeological heritage above and/or below the ground, could also contribute to conserving and enhancing the District's landscape character and features. • The impact is minor positive.

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE6 Policy: Archaeology
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO11	HISTORIC & CULTURAL HERITAGE					• Development proposals that will result in substantial harm to Scheduled Monuments and other important archaeological sites, including their setting, will not be permitted unless there are exceptional circumstances. • Where it is considered that a development could either directly or indirectly impact on a heritage asset with archaeological interest, development will only be permitted where it can be demonstrated that the proposal will not be harmful to the archaeological interest (significance) of the heritage asset or its setting. This includes direct impacts on designated sites e.g. Scheduled Monuments, indirect impacts on the setting of designated sites and impacts on sites of archaeological interest. • Subject to other policies in the Local Plan, development proposals will be considered favourably where they preserve, protect and / or enhance archaeological sites or remnants of such sites in situ, unless the Written Scheme of Investigation shows that the preservation of archaeological remains in situ is not justified and maximise opportunities to conserve, enhance and improve the accessibility and interpretation of archaeological sites, remains or features. • Where this is not possible or justified to preserve in situ, developers will be required to record any heritage assets to be lost (wholly or in part) by a suitable and approved archaeological body and in a manner proportionate to their importance and possible impact, and this information must be submitted to the East Sussex Historic Environment Record. • The impact is major positive
SO12	DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE					• No significant impact
SO13	SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL & ACCESSIBILITY					• No significant impact
SO14	HOUSING					• No significant impact
SO15	HEALTH & WELLBEING					• No significant impact
SO16	QUALITY OF LIFE & PLACE					• The policy will consider favourably proposals where they maximise opportunities to conserve, enhance and improve the accessibility and interpretation of archaeological sites, remains or features which could help to build community links, preserve local history and traditions and contribute to the sustainability of the District's towns and villages where cultural heritage is valued and nurtured. • The impact is minor positive.

SUSTAINABILITY OBJECTIVE		Effects				Policy No: HE6 Policy: Archaeology
		S	M	L	Overall	Commentary
SO17	SOCIAL DEPRIVATION					• No significant impact
SO18	ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT					• The protection, enhancement and promotion of the District's archaeological heritage is likely to facilitate heritage tourism which could stimulate economic activity/growth. • The impact is minor positive.
SO19	TOWN & VILLAGE CENTRES					• The protection, enhancement and promotion of the District's archaeological heritage is likely to facilitate heritage tourism which could increase footfall and activity and contribute to the economic vitality and viability of town and village centres. • The impact is minor positive
SO20	EDUCATION & SKILLS					• Positive impacts are expected for skills acquisition and training as the policy could generate employment opportunities and local jobs. • The impact is minor positive.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS	Policy No: HE6				Policy: Archaeology															
SA EFFECTS	SO1 Climate Change Mitigation	SO2 Climate Change Adaptation	SO3 Flood Risk	SO4 Water resources/Quality	SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals	SO6 Waste	SO7 Pollution	SO8 Green & Blue Infrastructure	SO9 Biodiversity	SO10 Landscape & Townscape	SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage	SO12 Digital Infrastructure	SO13 Travel & Accessibility	SO14 Housing	SO15 Health & Wellbeing	SO16 Quality of Life & Place	SO17 Social Deprivation	SO18 Economy & Employment	SO19 Town & Village Centres	SO20 Education & Skills
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COMMENTARY:	
Duration/Reversibility	The impacts are not likely to change in the short, medium or long term as the policy will become effective on adoption
Mitigation Measures	• Where there is potential for impacts to heritage assets with archaeological interest, the Council may include a condition to secure the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) subject to approval by the local planning authority and should follow the Sussex Archaeological Standards, ESCC 2019, (or subsequent replacement). • Proposals will be subject to other policies in the Local Plan in relation to the Natural Environment, Historic Environment, the Spatial Strategy, Economy, Town Centres and Infrastructure, which will provide additional mitigation measures.
Cumulative Impacts	Impacts are likely to be positive as the policy will ensure that development proposals do not result in substantial harm to Scheduled Monuments and other important archaeological sites, including their setting, and will preserve, protect and / or enhance archaeological sites or remnants of such sites in situ, unless the Written Scheme of Investigation shows that the preservation of archaeological remains in situ is not justified.
Summary	Major Positive Effects: **SO11 Historic & Cultural Heritage** • The policy seeks to protect, enhance and promote the District's archaeological heritage, both above and below ground. • The policy is informed by national policy (NPPF) and information included within the Historic Environment Record as Archaeological Notification Areas (ANA).

	• The policy will ensure Scheduled Monuments and other important archaeological sites, including their setting are protected from development, unless there are exceptional circumstances. In addition, the policy will ensure that archaeological sites or remnants of such sites in situ are preserved, protected and / or enhanced, unless the Written Scheme of Investigation shows that the preservation of archaeological remains in situ is not justified. Minor Positive Effects: **SO5 Soil, Land & Minerals; SO10 Landscape & Townscape; SO15 Health & Wellbeing; SO16 Quality of Life and Place; SO18 Economy & Employment; and SO19 Town & Village Centres and SO20 Education & Skills** • The policy will preserve, protect and/or enhance the District's archaeological heritage above and/or below the ground, which is likely to maintain, conserve and enhance soil quality and mineral resources. • By preserving, protecting and/or enhancing the District's archaeological heritage above and/or below the ground, the policy could contribute to conserving and enhancing the District's landscape character and features. • The policy will consider favourably proposals where they maximise opportunities to conserve, enhance and improve the accessibility and interpretation of archaeological sites, remains or features which could help to build community links, preserve local history and traditions and contribute to the sustainability of the District's towns and villages where cultural heritage is valued and nurtured. • The protection, enhancement and promotion of the District's archaeological heritage is likely to facilitate heritage tourism and employment opportunities/local jobs which could increase footfall and activity, contributing to the economic vitality and viability of town and village centres and economic growth. No Significant Effects: for the remaining Sustainability Objectives as the policy is unlikely to have a significant effect. Minor Negative Effects: None Major Negative Effects: None Uncertain: None Overall, the policy is shown to have a Minor Positive effect.