LISTED BUILDINGS EXPLAINED

WHAT IS A LISTED BUILDING

Listed Buildings or structures, are those that are considered to be important enough to warrant special planning control. Such buildings and structures are included on a list of buildings of **special architectural or historic interest**, which is compiled by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport.



MILE STONE, BROUGHTON, GRADE II LISTED STRUCTURE

The list of buildings and structures of special architectural or historic interest is a register recording the best of our built heritage. The list includes a wide variety of structures from Castles and cathedrals, to milestones and village pumps, and from residential to commercial properties.

Not all the buildings and structures on the list can be classified as conventionally beautiful or attractive – some are included purely for their historical value.

GRADES OF LISTING

Listed Buildings are classified in three grades to show their relative importance, these are Grade I, Grade II* and Grade II. Grade I and Grade II* are higher Listing categories which reflect the respective national and international significance of buildings Listed in these categories.



THE FOLLY, SETTLE, GRADE I LISTED BUILDING

There are in the region of 500,000 Listed Buildings and structures throughout England. Of these, **871 such structures are found** within Craven District outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

Buildings and structures are listed in order to protect the best of our built heritage. Under the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 the Secretary of State for the National Heritage has a statutory duty to compile a list of buildings of special architectural or historic interest.

HOW ARE BUILDINGS LISTED?

A building or structure can be Listed for the following reasons:

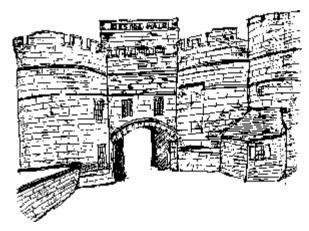
- Architectural Interest;
- Historical Interest;
- Close Historical Associations and/or
- Group Value not on individual merit but where it forms part of a group of buildings of architectural or historical value.

In addition the Department of Culture, Media and Sport also has the power to 'spot list' buildings and structures that may be under threat from demolition or extensive alteration in order to afford them protection.

WHAT ARE THE IMPLICATIONS OF LISTING?

Buildings and structures that are Listed are subject to a much greater degree of control in respect of alteration and demolition than their non-listed counterparts. Even seemingly minor alterations to a Listed Building or structure could alter its character and as such Listed Building consent would be required. You are therefore **strongly urged to consult the Planning Services Unit** for advice prior to undertaking any works to a listed building.

Please note that Listed Building Consent is additional to any planning permission that may be required for works that you may wish to undertake. Under most circumstances Listed Building applications and applications for planning permission are considered together. Please note however, there is no charge for applications for Listed Building consent. Carrying out unauthorised works to a Listed Building is a criminal offence (under Section 9 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990) and as such subsequent penalties can be heavy. You are therefore strongly advised to seek advice from the Planning Services Unit of the Council before undertaking any works to a Listed Building.



SKIPTON CASTLE, SKIPTON GRADE I LISTED BUILDING

WHAT DOES LISTING ENCOMPASS?

A building or structure is Listed in its entirety. This includes interior, exterior and curtilage and all structures within the curtilage that pre-date 1st July 1948. Please consult the Planning Services Unit should you require assistance with identification or interpretation in particular cases.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY ASCENSION, SETTLE GRADE II LISTED BUILDING

KEEPING LISTED BUILDINGS IN GOOD REPAIR, ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

In order to keep Listed Buildings and Structures in good repair grant assistance may be available to assist with these costs.

In the case of Grade I and Grade II* listed buildings grant assistance may be available from English Heritage.

If you require any further help or information regarding Listed Buildings, please contact the Planning Services Unit, Council Offices, Granville Street, Skipton, BD23 1PS. Tel: 01756 706470

