

Alresford Neighbourhood Plan Examination Response to note of interim findings from the examiner to TDC/APC

Other issues/questions of clarification

Non-Designated Heritage Assets

The early engagement survey identified the “feel of the village” as being important and was high on the list of what’s good about living and working in Alresford. This led to positive comments on some community buildings as well as the mix of houses. There was a desire to retain the village feel as it is now, conserving what’s best about the built and natural environment.

Results from the first two surveys formed the basis of the detailed survey and included specific questions on both the natural and built environment. Responses identified unlisted historic structures including the pub, station house, old school house and the conveyor workings at the creek.

A steering group meeting on the 16 May 2018 identified key objectives from the 3 surveys and included reference to “Preserve.....unlisted buildings of merit”. This led to a policy for environment and heritage which referenced buildings of local merit in a note on “objectives and possible policies” dated 2 July 2018. It then progressed to a draft “policies and actions” review on the 3 September 2018 with an action to identify and record examples.

A survey was carried out and an initial list produced by a sub working group. This was examined and analysed by the steering group and included a chartered building surveyor and fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. Reference material from English Heritage was used in the assessment and, consequently, a number of buildings were removed so that only buildings of sufficient merit were included.