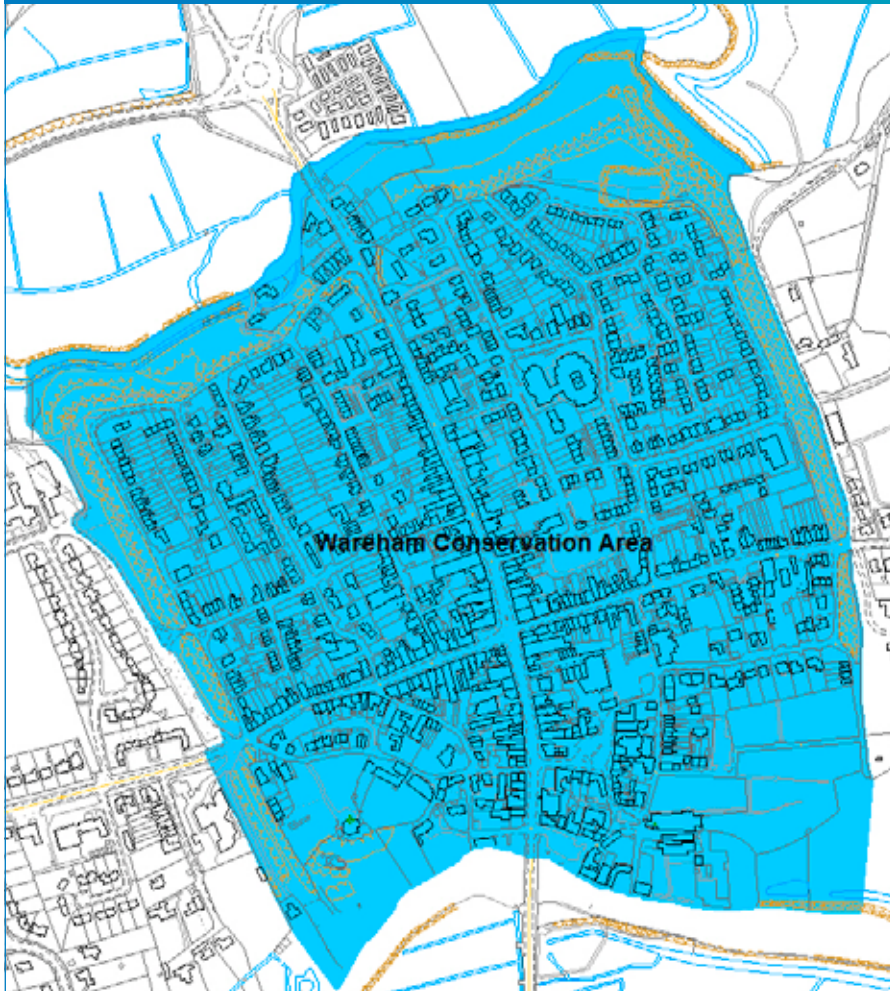




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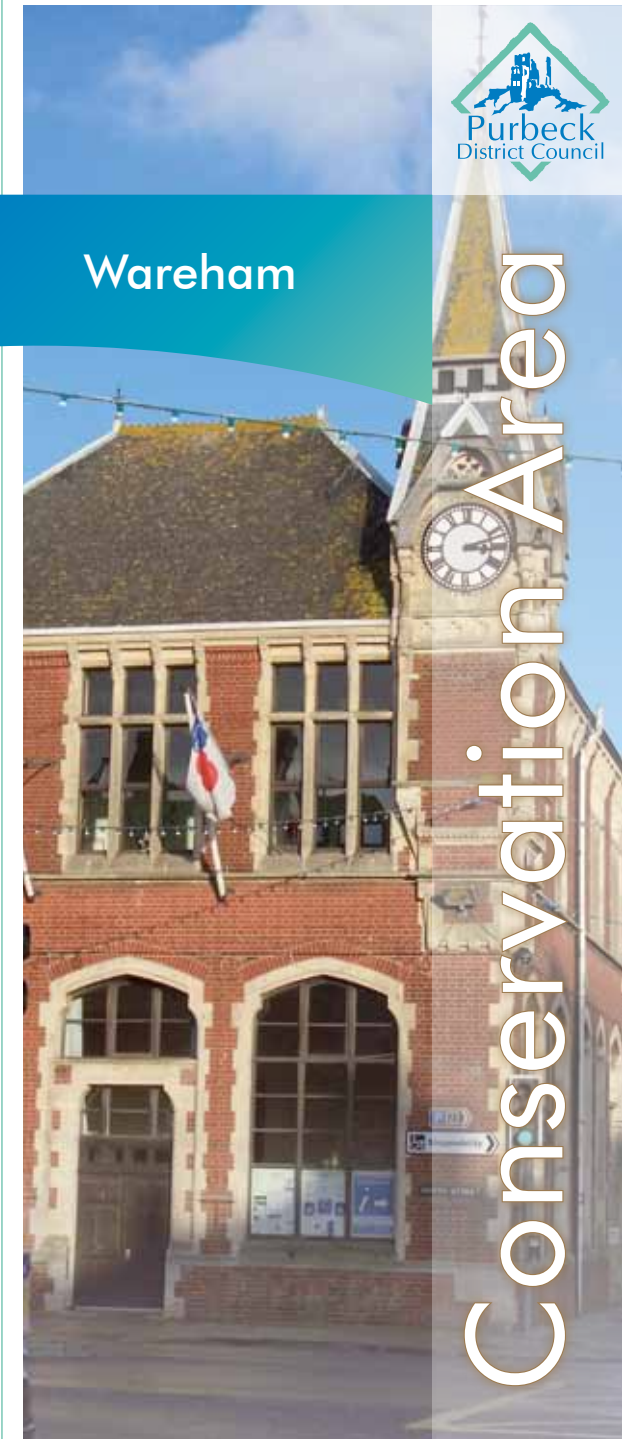


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Wareham Conservation Area was designated during 1970. The Conservation Area has been reviewed and an appraisal document was adopted in 2012.

Special historic and architectural interest of Wareham Conservation Area



West Walls

Wareham holds significance as an Anglo-Saxon planned town. The ancient grid layout and earth walls survive substantially intact, along with

St Martin's church which contains substantial pre-Conquest fabric. The town is unusual in that much of it remains in estate ownership. Historic buildings within the town are characterised particularly by use of local brick and tile, with stone eaves courses a particularly distinctive feature. Thatched and stone roofs add variety, together with cob, lined stucco and stone rubble - much of the latter possibly salvaged from the long castle. A range of vernacular urban cottage and more formal pattern book estate housing types are well represented.

Cover: The Town Hall

About Conservation Areas

Whilst bringing some controls over permitted development rights the object of designation is not to prohibit change or development but rather to manage its quality and contextual appropriateness. This means that a high priority is given to securing design quality both within and also around Conservation Areas. For details of the current regulations applicable within Conservation Areas see the District Council's website or general Conservation Areas leaflet. The Local Authority is happy to provide pre-application advice in regard to specific development proposals.

Conservation Area Character Appraisal

An appraisal has been produced for Wareham Conservation Area. It can be viewed on the council website. An Appraisal represents an essential point of reference for those considering making an alteration to properties or land located within and around its boundaries. The purpose of the appraisal is:

1. to provide an in depth analysis of character which will inform both planning and development management at the Local Authority,
2. to assist property owners and their agents in the formulation of sensitive development proposals,
3. to assist property owners and their agents in execution of sensitive alterations allowed under permitted development rights, and
4. to identify potential for enhancement works within the Conservation Area.



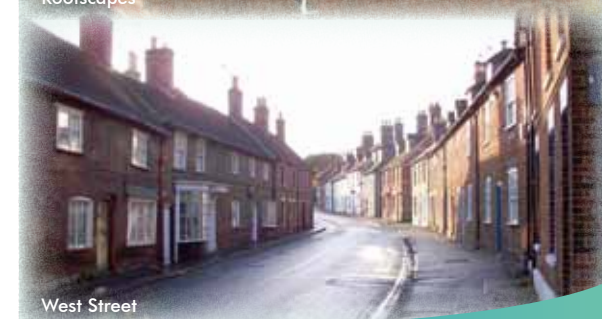
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East Street



Roofscapes



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