

# Conservation, Design and Countryside



## Conservation

### Promoting the value of the built heritage and guiding appropriate change to retain a sense of place

West Lindsey has nearly 1000 listed buildings and structures. A listed building is one which is considered to be nationally important for its special architectural and/or historic interest.

Listed Building Consent is required for any works including demolition and extensions that would affect its character.

The department also monitors the condition of Listed Buildings and maintains a Buildings at Risk Register.

The district also benefits from 25 Conservation Areas. These are areas recognised as ‘an area of special architectural interest, the character or appearance of which is desirable to preserve or enhance’.

The Conservation team is responsible for the designation of future areas and carrying out Conservation Area appraisals.

Our service:

- ✓ Offers pre-application advice on development affecting Listed Buildings and/or Conservation Areas,
- ✓ Assesses proposals to alter listed buildings
- ✓ Assesses proposals that would affect Conservation Areas,
- ✓ Offers practical advice on repairs and alterations
- ✓ Continues to promote building conservation as a focus within the context of regeneration

## Design

### Delivering great places to live and work in West Lindsey

The Council is committed to good design and believes development should make a positive contribution to the character of an area.

Our service:

- ✓ advises on design matters to guide new build development
- ✓ advises on design relating to alterations to Listed Buildings and/or development in Conservation Areas

## Countryside

### Supporting our rich and diverse natural environment

West Lindsey enjoys a wealth of different landscapes ranging from the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in the Lincolnshire Wolds to the clay vales of the Trent and the fenland at the head of the Witham valley.

The AONB receives statutory protection whilst other specified landscapes are carefully managed to retain their special character.

Our service:

- ✓ advises on developments affecting the AONB and the designated ‘Area of Great Landscape Value’
- ✓ advises on developments that have a biodiversity impact, represent the council on the Lincolnshire Biodiversity Partnership Steering Group and Forum
- ✓ represents the council on the Joint Advisory Committee of the AONB,
- ✓ represents the council on the steering groups of the Heritage Lottery Funded ‘Coversands’ project and ‘Bardney Limewoods’
- ✓ advises on developments affecting Historic Parks and Gardens
- ✓ advises on building restoration projects under agri-environment schemes such as the ‘Higher Level Stewardship’



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In West Lindsey

### Current Projects

- ✓ Caistor Townscape Heritage Initiative which is helping to regenerate Caistor town centre
- ✓ Working with BTCV who provide natural environment conservation opportunities for volunteers.

### Contact Us

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