JOINT MELKSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (JMNP) 2 LOCALLY VALUED NON-DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS

REPORT VR.14 JULY 2023

INTRODUCTION

Melksham is rich in heritage that includes many grand buildings reflecting the town's history. There are over 70 listed buildings in the parish, 19 in Whitley, 16 in Shaw and 19 in Beanacre. There are over 150 in the town, the majority of the latter being in the Melksham Town Conservation Area.

In addition to the buildings that are listed as being of national heritage or architectural importance, there are many buildings that are of local heritage importance, in particular those in the town centre built of local stone in a traditional style. When seen together these make a "high contribution to the whole character of the street scene and give the town centre a feeling of completeness". Many of these are identified in this report.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFYING LOCALLY VALUED NON-DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS?

The criteria for identifying non-designated heritage assets are based on the four conservation principles laid out by Historic England:

- Aesthetic (Designed and Casual) the visual elements of an asset. It does not have to be 'beautiful' to be of value.
- Communal (Commemorative or Social) the meanings of a place, and how people relate to it through experience or memory
- Historical (Associative or Illustrative) how a place in the present can connect us to past people, events and aspects of life
- Evidential the potential of a place to provide evidence about past human activity

The Steering Group followed the guidance issued by Historic England, Local Heritage Listing Advice (Note 72)¹, which sets out the importance of identifying Heritage Assets that are locally valued but non-designated.

It should be noted here that the Neighbourhood Plan cannot produce a 'Local List' in the same way a Local Authority can; instead a Neighbourhood Plan can follow the guidance to identify Local Heritage Assets that can then be identified in the very local level planning policy that is included in a Neighbourhood Plan.

The full criteria are set out in the table below:

Criterion	Explanation and examples
Age	The age of an asset helps to understand more about the feature.

¹ https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/local-heritage-listing-advice-note-7/

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Rarity	This can include unusual assets such as cast-iron bridges and traditional signage or more common ones of unusual architectural style or materials. It could be something that is rare for the local area (not nationally rare) and so has local importance.
Architectural Interest	Local areas are often set apart by design that was developed through the use of local materials, giving areas their characteristics and sense of local importance.
Group value	Groupings of assets with a clear visual, design or historic relationship (including farmyards, terraces, group form and layout), contribution to street scene, roofscapes and perception.
Archaeological interest	There may be evidence to suggest that a site is of significant archaeological interest.
Historic Association	Associated with an historical person or event of acknowledged note (including important local figures or events, for example landowner, commemorative event, charity, ecclesiastical or other community group and former resident). Buildings or assets related to a local person or event of importance may be added to the local list
Townscape or Landscape value	Designed landscapes such as parks and gardens which are celebrated locally and are of high quality can be added to the local list.
Social and Communal Value	Assets which add to the collective memory of a local place can be valuable in understanding the social value and the sense of community in the local area.
Other? Extra?	There may be some completely new other, or additional, factor thought to be of significance, such as artistic interest, an asset with artistic interest exhibiting some degree of creative skill (including sculpture, painting, decoration, advertisements, memorials, gates, railings, door surrounds, finials and signage). Key landmark buildings or structures and buildings that strongly contribute to a view or roofscape vista.

HOW HAVE LOCALLY VALUED NON-DESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS IN MELKSHAM AND MELKSHAM WITHOUT BEEN COMPILED?

The Locally Valued Non-designated Heritage Assets within this report have been compiled by the Neighbourhood Plan steering group by using the *Listed and Notable Buildings in the Conservation Area* identified in the Melksham Urban Design Study (2006) as a starting point and then adding nominations received from public consultation. In May 2022 the community were asked to nominate heritage assets they valued. The consultation received 9 nominations. These were then tested against the criteria for identifying non-designated heritage assets set out by Historic England and a short list was formed. There was an additional round of public consultation in February 2023 at which point 4 additional assets were nominated.

Where possible, owners were informed ahead of the formal consultation through a letter and invited to feedback on the nomination. A copy of the letter can be seen in the APPENDIX 1. Landowner comments at the informal stage contributed towards the process of refining a list of non-designated heritage assets for JMNP2.

Where a potential asset is already covered by a designation, such as Local Green Space, it is not included.

LOCALLY VALUED UNDESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS IN MELKSHAM AND MELKSHAM WITHOUT - NUMBERED AND MAPPED

29 Locally Valued Undesignated Heritage Assets have been identified and mapped. A summary list is below, together with a map.

Ref no.	Asset Name
LVHA1	Avon Rubber Company Canteen
LVHA2	Whitley Reading Rooms
LVHA3	Gospel St John 316 Graveyard (affiliated to the Baptist Church on Broughton Road)
LVHA4	The Bear Public House
LVHA5	Liberal Club (originally: Melksham Liberal Working Men's Club and Institute)
LVHA6	Old HSBC bank building (originally: Midland Bank)
LVHA7	Lloyds Bank Building
LVHA8	New Hall (currently used as office spaces)
LVHA9	Kelly's Lamp
LVHA10	WW2 Air Raid Shelter
LVHA11	18-26 Bath Road
LVHA12	Remains of Well and pump in Market Place
LVHA13	High Pavement, Bank Street
LVHA14	RAF Melksham
LVHA15	Pathfinder Way Public Art
LVHA16	RAF Commemorative Stones (in two locations as shown on map)
LVHA17	Old Ex RAF Lamppost
LVHA18	Avonside Chimney and distinctive roofline

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LVHA19	Parts of former Wilts & Berks Canal and former Railway line
LVHA20	Wilts & Berks Canal bridge parapet

Detailed information for all nominated assets is set out in the accompanying spreadsheet (APPENDIX 2) with this report. The accompanying photographic repository (APPENDIX 3) also contains images of the assets which can be accessed by <u>clicking here</u>.

MAP OF LOCALLY VALUED UNDESIGNATED HERITAGE ASSETS IN MELKSHAM AND MELKSHAM WITHOUT



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APPENDIX 1 - Owner Consultation Letter template

DATE etc

Dear Sir / Madam

Consultation on Locally Valued Non-Designated Heritage Assets in the Joint Melksham Plan Area

PARISH / TOWN Council is writing to tell you the LOCAL HERITAGE ASSET NAME has been nominated for designation as a 'Locally Valued Non-designated Heritage Asset' within the NAME Neighbourhood Plan.

The reason for this is that LOCAL HERITAGE ASSET NAME is perceived as having the potential to meet the criteria to be identified and included in planning policy as Locally Valued Non-Designated Heritage Asset.

You are no doubt familiar with the listing of historic buildings of national importance by Historic England (Grade I, Grade II etc.), which gives significant protection against inappropriate development. We have a number of formally listed buildings in and around NAME.

However, there are a number of buildings and structures that are not listed, or 'non-designated' for their national importance, but which add to our local heritage. Communities can identify these buildings, structures or spaces as locally valued heritage assets within Neighbourhood Plans.

The effect of identifying local heritage assets in the Neighbourhood Plan is not to place restrictions on the 'asset', or to stop any changes to a building or any other development taking place; it does not bring additional consent requirements over and above those already required for planning permission. It can, however, help to inform planning decisions in a way that conserves and enhances local character and identity.

Criteria developed by Historic England has been used to inform the identification of possible local heritage assets. This is included overleaf for your information.

We invite you to let us know your views on the inclusion of the INSERT NAME in the list of Local Non-Designated Heritage Assets. Owners can often provide valuable information which can influence the final decision. Together with our informal communication and consultation, the Neighbourhood Plan must progress through a series of formal stages, including two rounds of consultation and examination. The Neighbourhood Plan must be based on evidence, which includes owners' views.

Please do let us know if you have any questions.

Should you wish to comment, please do so by DATE (suggest 6 weeks from the date of the letter).

Yours sincerely

on behalf of the Steering Group

The list of what might qualify as a Locally Valued Unlisted Heritage Asset is long and varied and genuinely open to things that are of real value to a local community. Here below is a shortened version of the criteria set out by Historic England².

Criterion	Description
Rarity	This can include unusual assets such as cast-iron bridges and traditional signage or more common ones of unusual architectural style or materials.
Representativeness	May be representative of a particular architectural period, architect, movement, company or group of its time, for example Quaker, railway, Victorian and industrial.
Architectural interest	Of importance in its architectural design, decoration or craftsmanship; important examples of particular building types, materials and techniques (e.g. buildings displaying technological innovation) and significant plan forms.
Townscape or Landscape value	Key landmark buildings or structures and buildings that strongly contribute to a view or roofscape vista. Valued open spaces, (including designed landscapes, streets, squares, parks, gardens, amenity and green spaces), walls, fences, railings, street surfaces (including cobbles, setts and grass verges). Street furniture (including signposts, streetlights, benches, post boxes and telephone boxes).
Group value	Groupings of assets with a clear visual, design or historic relationship (including farmyards, terraces, group form and layout), contribution to street scene, roofscapes and perception.
Artistic interest	An asset with artistic interest exhibiting some degree of creative skill (including sculpture, painting, decoration, advertisements, memorials, gates, railings, door surrounds, finials and signage).
Historic association	Associated with an historical person or event of acknowledged note (including important local figures or events, for example landowner, commemorative event, charity, ecclesiastical or other community group and former resident). Highly unlikely this would apply to assets associated with a living person. These can also be heritage assets which add to the collective memory of a local place can be valuable in understanding the social value and the sense of community in the local area.
Archaeological interest	There may be evidence to suggest that a site is of significant archaeological interest."

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_VHA1	Avon Rubber Company Canteen	4,	Cooper Tire & Rubber Company Europe, Bath Road, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 8AA	An unusual (for the area) Art Deco-style, two-storey building that was used as a canteen for the tyre factory.	Historic building on an industrial site	Opened 1 July, 1940		Sole example of Art Deco design within the local area.		Stylish canteen building for the surrounding factory. Has many Art Deco characteristics, including curved glass elements breaking up the rectangular, symetrical facade.					Tyres and other rubber products have been made on the site since 1890. The canteen building has been a distictive part of that legacy since WWII	
LVHA2	Whitley Reading Rooms		Middle Lane, Whitley, Wiltshire SN12 8QR	The Reading Rooms is a hall with kitchen, toilets and garden available to book for special occasions, parties, meetings and regular classes. (Historic description: Room measures 40 feet by 18 feet, a handsome structure built throughout of stone and finished in first-rate style. Divided into two portions by a moveable wooden partition, one room being reserved for games, the other to be used for a reading room. Comfortably furnished and fitted with a billiard table, the gift of Murray-Shireff. Room has been vested in the hands of the Vicar and churchwardess of Shaw and Whitley It is run by a committee of trustees for the benefit of the village and its occupants).	Community Hall	14 February, 1905 - Formal opening of the newly built parish reading room provided by John Frederick Stancomb of Shaw House at his own expense. Site donated by Alexander John Lloyd Murray-Shirre ff. A modern extension provides porch, foyer and facilities									Historic Reading Room - provided education and represents part of the Quaker influence in the area.	
LVHA3	Gospel St John 316 Graveyard (affiliated to the Baptist Church on Broughton Road)	30947091 76,	Road/A350, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12	Small rectangular graveyard with graves from 1813 to 1942 on land adjacent to what is currently Coombe Castle Creamery	Graveyard	Earliest death date recorded 1813. The Broughton Road Baptist Church was established in 1669.		Separated burial ground. Foundling George Melksham buried here							Graveyard that has been in place for more than 200 years. Many gravestones are badly weathered and unreadable and some have toppled over.	
LVHA4	The Bear Public House		The Bear, 3 Bath Rd, Melksham SN12 6LL	A former coaching inn, it was also a posting house until the late 19th century. In the Post Office Directory of 1855, the premises are listed as the 'Bear Inn', although, in later directories, it is referred to as the 'Bear Hotel'.	Public House	c1750 (licensee Thomas Marshman recorded in May 1753)				A distinctive building from the mid 18th century. Received award for floral decoration in the Melksham in Bloom awards 2012.					Longstanding public house associated with many local stories and myths. For example, The Bear was the scene of election riots in 1865. A gentleman throwing heated coins from a first floor window provoked the members of the crowd, who burnt their hands when picking up the coins. The military dispersed the crowd and the inciter made his escape on horseback, later falling off on the Shaw Road.	
LVHA5		11407370	26 Bank St, Melksham SN12 6LG	Melksham Liberal Social Club is a members only club situated in the town centre.	Private members club	26 June, 1909 - Formally opened by George Pargiter Fuller, MP				Large prominent building made yet more imposing by its elevated position up symetrical steps from the high street. Built in local stone, the frontage is largely unchanged from the original.					The basement was used as a billet for soldiers in WW2.	

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house hy local for was the tts in throwing first floor e wd, who hen . The le crowd e his kk, later aw Road.		Public house that serves as a community hub for locals. Historically a well-known coaching stop on the road from Bath to Melksham, the premises had its own stables and brewing house. Later, progressing from servicing horse drawn vehicles, the site became the first place in the town for car hire and petrol sales. Vehicles were often hired from the site for weddings, funerals and other functions. Now a Wetherspoons.							
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LVHA6	Old HSBC bank building (originally:	51.37337	32 High Street, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12	Disused bank building. Planning permission granted in October 2022 for use an art education studio and private residence.	Bank, decommission ed in 2022	The London Joint City and Midland Bank announced the opening of this branch in Melksham in January 1922 at which point, Midland Bank had more than 1,600 branches throughout England and Wales.	d k of 1 2 d		Neoclassical bank building with a mix of architectural styles including Georgian windows and a balustrade. Of similar design to many Midland bank branches.	~	Good example of standard design for Midland Bank						
LVHA7	Lloyds Bank Building		1 High Street, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 6JS	Disused, 3-storey Lloyds Bank building on High Street.	Disused bank	Built circa 1918; replacing Capital and Counties Bank on same site. The new construction was to closely resemble the style of the previous building.			An imposing stone building, roughly 100 years old. The building is constructed on basement, ground and first floors, with decorative limestone window surrounds, leaded lights, cast iron rainwater goods and pitched slate clad roof.	1]		There is an unusual open drain in the basement.				
LVHA8	New Hall (currently used as office spaces)		Market Place, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 6EX	Doric-style building situated opposite the Town Hall. It is faced with freestone, and is 42 feet long, by 281/2 feet wide and 19 feet high. There are eleven windows.		Built c. 1877 and opened by Rachel Fowler on 11 May, 1877, her gift to the town									Built c1877 by architect R Bulgin. Given to the town by Rachel Fowler as a place for lectures, reading and recreation. (Historic description: "Some 30 pitched pine seats cover the floor, capable of accommodating 300 persons. Two gasiliers, corona shaped with 30 lights furnish the illuminating power, besides side lights, and some handsome ventilators in the ceiling are intended to keep the building free from pressure of heat. There is a capacious ante-room about 20 feet by 13, capable of holding 100 people, lighted by a lantern roof, with back apartment 9 feet by 13, and 9 feet 3 inches hish. This room is for the accommodation of friends who wish to hold tea meetings, and there is a boiler, dresser and all conenience for such gatherings with water and gas laid on.")		A key building which contribut the character and townscape Melksham's civic centre.
LVHA9	Kelly's Lamp	24453434 15, -2.137242	Public path (Shails Lane) adjacent to Herman Miller on Portal Road, Bowerhill	A street lamp treasured for its memorable part in RAF Melksham's history	Lamp which serves to commemorate Melksham's long and close association with the RAF	Circa 1940				C	One of two remaining RAF Melksham lamp posts in a distinctive style				"This lamp marks the original location of the back gate to RAF Melksham, a training base in use from 1940-65. Commonly known as 'Kelly's Lamp', Corporal Kelly would frequently wait on the spot to ensure his troops were safely back on base each night."		

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LVHA11	18-26 Bath Road	65,-2.138	18-26 Bath Road, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 6LP	Group of shop frontages and buildings	Shopfronts	Early 20th Century				Attractive, traditional row of shops with frontages which seem largely to be original. Many still have stained glass/leaded lights above main front window panes. There is a decorative pediment that lends cohesion to the whole row.							✓ Used by a range of small retailers.		Unusual in the locality in being completely, cohesivesly planned brick parade of shops
LVHA12	Remains of Well and pump in Market Place			Historic Well at Market Place. Now covered over and marked with engraved slab markers to denote location of the town well and pump. This nominations is focussed particularly on the archeological remains of this asset.		Earliest records show the well was constructed in 1789. Pump removed and capped in 1947.	n						_	Remains of historic well below ground. Now capped.		Melksham Town Pump put in by subscription in 1789; restored in 1888 to include a drinking trough for animals. In 1933, condemned due to pullution by nearby petrol station			
LVHA13	High Pavement, Bank Street	25,-2.138		Wide raised pavement on the Western side only, tapering to normal pavement height by the junction of Bank and High Street	Raised pavement with 2 sets of picturesque stone steps with iron handrails, down to road	Unknown													

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LVHA14	RAF Melksham	51.357851 81486955, -2.1316028	Bowerhill, Melksham, Wiltshire SN12 6** (numerous postcodes in the SN12 6 range cover this area)	Site of Royal Air Force No 12 School of Technical Training (1940-1965) and No 10 School of Recruit Training (1940-1953) incorporating (at different times) the School of Instrument Training, the RAF Electrical School and the RAF Armament School (source <u>rafmelksham.info</u>). This nomination in particular focusses on the remaining eight storage hangers and their original structural frames.		Original camp built in 1940		Of the original buildings only the eight hangers in what is now the industrial area, and the officer's married quarters, Blenheim Park and Wellington Square in what is now the residential area, remain. The four southerr-most hangers have been refurbished and are now used by four different companies (Broughton Transport, Sarsen Stone Group, London City Bond Transport, Siteright						-	Historic England National Monuments Number 1579812 The extensive Second World War and later military camp, RAF Melksham, is visible as buildings, structures and earthworks on air photographs, centred at ST 9111 6209. The station was opened for training purposes in July 1940 and remained operational until 1965. The nucleated camp comprises hundreds of military buildings with associated air raid shelters and emergency water supply tanks, served by a network of roads. A number of small outlying camps are situated around Berryfield to the west and have been recorded separately (UID 1579350). Most of the area of the camp has been redeveloped into modern housing and an industrial estate, but most of the larger buildings on the west of the
LVHA15	Pathfinder Way Public Art	51.36319 6,-2.1271 72	Pathfinder Way, Bowerhill	Artwork commissioned as part of a planning condition for the Pathfinder Place development and erected in 2022. The artwork reflects the original metal gates of RAF Melksham Camp (however the actual RAF camp entrance was on Wellington Drive) RAF Melksham was home to the No 12 School of Technical Training from 1940 to 1965 and thousands of forces personnel trained there during that time.	Public Art	1 Year old.		Unique artwork				Along with other artifacts in Melksham and Bowerhill this asset is another reminder of the areas historic connection to the armed forces.			The artwork reflects the original metal gates of RAF Melksham Camp
LVHA16	RAF Commemorative Stones	8,	Bowerhill 2) Outside ATC HQ, Lancaster Road, Bowerhill	 The stone is to commemorate the opening of Bowerhill Development, which opened on 12 June 1973. It was officially opened by Lord Margadale, Lord Lieutenant of Wiltshire. The RAF Stone in Bowerhill, Melksham, marks the RAF's Number 12 School of Technical Training, which was based on land in Bowerhill until 1964. The stone had to be remade after it was destroyed in an accident in 2006 when it is thought a lorry reversed into it at its original location outside Christie Miller Sports Centre. It was remade and subsequently moved to outside the Air Training Corps (2385 Squadron) Hut on Lancaster Road. The stone commemorates the dates on which RAF Melksham opened and closed (1940 and 1965 respectively). The new stone had its dedication ceremony on Saturday 12 May 2007. The date the original stone was installed is unknown. 	e Stone	1. 50 years old 2. 16 years old, having been remade in 2007, after the original stone was damaged.		Unique to the history of the area.						×	
LVHA17	Old Ex RAF Lamppost		land near 2 Wellington Drive, Bowerhill	Old ex RAF Lamppost at what was the original entrance to the former RAF Melksham.	Street furniture	approx 83 years		One of two remaining lamp posts from RAF Melksham in a distinctive style.				Along with other artifacts in Melksham and Bowerhill this asset is another reminder of the areas historic connection to the armed forces. One of two remaining lamp posts from RAF Melksham.			Assosiated with the RAF base that once occupied this area.
LVH18	Avonside Chimney and disctinctive roofline	<u>51.376485,</u> -2.140085		The chimney was originally part of a dye house built in the early 1900s and served a cloth mill located on the current Cooper Tires site. The buildings next to the chimney were built in the 1920s to create a milk depot and butter factory which grew into the Wilts United Dairy Company, later to become part of Unigate. The chimney was taken down to a third of its original height in the 1990s.											
LVH19	Parts of former Wilts & Berks Canal & former railway line	<u>51.352755,</u> - <u>2.142582</u>	541 Outmarsh & SHELAA Site 1031	industrial archeological finds relating to former Wilts & Berks Canal and former railway line.					~						
LVH20	Wilts & Berks Canal bridge parapet		Forest Road	The remains of a bridge parapet over the former Wilts & Berks Canal can be seen from Forest Road at its junction with Lowbourne/Sandridge Road.	г				\checkmark			This is another reminder of the areas historic connection to the former Wilts & Berks Canal.			It is already included in the Witlshire Historic Enviornment Register

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toric England National numents Number 79812 The extensive cond World War and later itary camp, RAF Iksham, is visible as Idings, structures and thworks on air otographs, centred at ST 11 6209. The station was ened for training purposes luly 1940 and remained erational until 1965. The cleated camp comprises ndreds of military buildings h associated air raid elters and emergency ter supply tanks, served by etwork of roads. A number small outlying camps are uated around Berryfield to west and have been orded separately (UID 79350). Most of the area of camp has been leveloped into modern using and an industrial ate, but most of the larger Idings on the west of the		Historic England National Monuments Number 1520112 Despite being listed as a building of historic interest the gymnasium - latterly known as the Christie Miller Sports Centre - was demolished by Wittshire Council in 2022. It should also be noted that this building incorporated the camp cinema - not many people know that (with apologies to a certain well-known British actor). Having looked on the Planning Portal Christie Miller was not listed.		Post-war aerial photographs show numerous structures of a military nature in the area, very few of which still survive. (See National Library of Scotland map archive at maps.nls.uk).
e artwork reflects the ginal metal gates of RAF Iksham Camp		RAF Melksham was home to the No 12 School of Technical Training from 1940 to 1965 and thousands of forces personnel trained there during that time.		
sosiated with the RAF se that once occupied this a.				
already included in the dshire Historic viornment Register				