

More detailed criteria can be found on the Council's website:
<http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/article/20547/Local-list>

5.14 The Local List includes farm buildings, residential and commercial properties, local landmarks, modern offices, educational buildings and churches. Street furniture and other structures can also be included in the Local List, for example, boundary markers, post boxes, memorials, lamp posts, artwork and statues.

Policy DMHB 3: Locally Listed Buildings

A) There is a general presumption in favour of the retention of buildings, structures and features included in the Local List. The Council will take into account the effect of a proposal on the building's significance and the scale of any harm of loss when considering planning applications, including those for major alterations and extensions. Proposals will be permitted where they retain the significance, appearance, character or setting of a Locally Listed Building.

B) Applications should include a Heritage Statement that demonstrates a clear understanding of the importance of the structure and the impact of the proposals on the significance of the Locally Listed Building.

C) Replacement will only be considered if it can be demonstrated that the community benefits of such a proposal significantly outweigh those of retaining the Locally Listed Building.

Conservation Areas

5.15 Planning applications for development in Conservation Areas should be supported by a Heritage Statement, which demonstrates how the proposals have adopted a design-led approach to take account of the special character of the area. Proposals should also take account of the Council's Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans, where these are available and other relevant assessments including the Hillingdon Townscape Character Assessment.

5.16 The Council aims to enhance Conservation Areas through its own initiatives and by encouragement and advice to owners who may wish to alter or improve their properties. The following will be particularly important:

- extensions or alterations should not be out of scale with the original building, and should respect the property's original design;

- side extensions should normally be set back from the original building line and retain gaps between buildings to avoid a terraced effect;
- the original plan and form of the building should be respected, and there should be a relationship between new development and the roof form and proportions of the original structure.
- materials and detailing should match those of the existing property (e.g. existing features, window shapes and sizes, brick arches and eaves details) and features of interest should be retained;
- boundary treatment should be in keeping with the street scene in terms of its height and materials;
- backland development is unlikely to be acceptable;
- appropriate landscaping, both hard and soft should be provided; and
- shopfronts should be of good quality design and materials with appropriate advertisements and signage (see Appendix B: design guidance for shopfronts).

Policy DMHB 4: Conservation Areas

New development, including alterations and extensions to existing buildings, within a Conservation Area or on its fringes, will be expected to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of the area. It should sustain and enhance its significance and make a positive contribution to local character and distinctiveness. In order to achieve this, the Council will:

A) Require proposals for new development, including any signage or advertisement, to be of a high quality contextual design. Proposals should exploit opportunities to restore any lost features and/or introduce new ones that would enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

B) Resist the loss of buildings, historic street patterns, important views, landscape and open spaces or other features that make a positive contribution to the character or appearance of the Conservation Area; any such loss will need to be supported with a robust justification.

C) Proposals will be required to support the implementation of improvement actions set out in relevant Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans.