**New Forest National Park Authority – Local Heritage List**

**Frequently asked questions**

**How can I find out if a site is already listed?**

You can view our [List](https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/app/uploads/2021/09/Local-list-of-non-designated-heritage-assets-February-2021.pdf) or [Map](https://gismaps.newforestnpa.gov.uk/webmap/Map.aspx?MapName=planning&initialDialog=layersDialog&tst=1) to see sites that are already on the Local List. On the map, locally listed assets are highlighted in black as ‘Buildings with Vernacular Detailing/Local Historic Interest’, while nationally designated assets are marked in pink

**How are Heritage Assets chosen for Local Listing?**

Anyone can nominate an asset to be included on the list via the survey form on our website. Nominated assets should meet at least one of the criteria outlined here: [Local List of Heritage Assets - New Forest National Park Authority (newforestnpa.gov.uk)](https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/planning/conservation-information/buildings-local-interest/). Nominations will be assessed for inclusion on the list by the Local Listing Review Panel, and then presented to the New Forest National Park Authority Planning Committee for approval.

**Is there a deadline for nominations?**

The Local List will continue to evolve over time as further assets are identified. We are encouraging early nominations with the aim of formally updating the existing list by summer 2022. There is no set deadline for nominations, and they can be submitted at any time. We’ll continue to review the list regularly throughout the year.

**Do I need permission from the owner to nominate a site?**

You don’t need to ask permission from the owner before nominating. Nominated assets will be reviewed by a specialist panel, and if a property is formally adopted onto the list, the owner will be notified.

**What does Local Listing mean for homeowners?**

Inclusion on the list does not add any further planning controls that already apply to a building or site. It means that the significance of the site is given a proportionate degree of weight when assessing planning applications. Local Listing aims to provide clarity for owners, the local community, developers and planning officers so they are aware of the interest of the asset as early as possible therefore avoiding unnecessary work or delays in the planning process.

Further information can be found in sections 4 and 5 of the Heritage Assets – Planning Guidance Note on the [New Forest National Park Authority’s website](https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/planning/conservation-information/buildings-local-interest/). The inclusion of an asset on the local list recognises the positive contribution it makes to the built character of the New Forest.

**Can I nominate an asset without submitting a photo?**

Ideally, we would like to have photographs for all nominated assets, however, if you do not have safe, permitted access then you can nominate an asset without submitting a photograph. You should not enter private property without permission from the owner. Online mapping also provides an option for identifying assets nominated for inclusion on the list.

**Will I hear if my nomination has been accepted or not?**

Unfortunately, we will not be able to contact individual nominees. However, the adopted Local list will be published on the [New Forest Park Authority’s website](https://www.newforestnpa.gov.uk/planning/conservation-information/buildings-local-interest/), and the relevant County’s Historic Environment Record.

**I'm struggling to nominate an asset online and need help?**

If you are having trouble submitting a nomination online or require an alternative version of the survey form (in larger print for example), please contact us: buildingconservation@newforestnpa.gov.uk

**Can an asset be removed from the Local List?**

There may be exceptional circumstances where removing an asset from the local list is justified. If you believe that an asset of local interest does not warrant designation, a request can be made to remove it from the list. The process is as follows:

The request should be submitted in writing to buildingconservation@newforestnpa.gov.uk , explaining why it is considered that the asset does not meet the criteria for inclusion. The request will then be assessed by the Executive Director of Strategy and Planning and the Building Conservation Officer against the criteria. The final decision will then be made in consultation with the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee.