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Neighbourhood Plan for Great Addington

Thank you for consulting Historic England about your Neighbourhood Plan.

The area covered by your Neighbourhood Plan includes a number of important designated heritage assets. In line with national planning policy, it will be important that the strategy for this area safeguards those elements which contribute to the significance of these assets so that they can be enjoyed by future generations of the area.

Having reviewed the information provided, we note that the proposed housing allocation site on land to the north of Cranford Road has the potential to impact upon the setting of the Grade II* listed Church of All Saints. This is highlighted within the supporting documentation- Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Great Addington Neighbourhood Plan Report (May 2024).

In particular, paragraph 9.26 of this document, which notes that-

The site allocation policy does not make specific stipulations for the historic environment. Whilst the site is broadly removed from heritage constraints, it is noted that developing the site could impact upon views from a Grade II listed structure; therefore, impacting upon its special qualities.*

..... and goes on to advise that-

It is recommended that a stipulation is included within the site allocation policy to reduce any potential visual impacts to and from the asset. This could include landscaping to screen development from the feature.

We support this view and recommend that Policy GA17 within the neighbourhood plan is amended to reflect the comments within the SEA report, in order to reduce any potential visual impacts to and from the highly graded listed building.



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I hope you find the above comments useful, if you have any queries about this matter or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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