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Dear Ms Francis

### **Neighbourhood Plan for Darley Dale, Derbyshire**

Thank you for consulting Historic England about Darley Dale Neighbourhood Plan.

The area covered by your Neighbourhood Plan encompasses a number of important designated heritage assets including 3 GII\* and 27 GII listed Buildings, 3 Scheduled Monuments and also Sydnope Hall and Withworth Institute GII Park and gardens. 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.

If you have not already done so, we would recommend that you speak to the planning and conservation team at Derbyshire Dales together with the staff at Derbyshire County Council archaeological advisory service who look after the Historic Environment Record. They should be able to provide details of the designated heritage assets in the area together with locally-important buildings, archaeological remains and landscapes. Some Historic Environment Records may also be available on-line via the Heritage Gateway ([www.heritagegateway.org.uk](http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk) <<http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk>>). It may also be useful to involve local voluntary groups such as the local Civic Society or local historic groups in the production of your Neighbourhood Plan.

Historic England has produced advice which your community might find helpful in helping to identify what it is about your area which makes it distinctive and how you might go about ensuring that the character of the area is retained. These can be found at:-

[<https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/plan-making/improve-your-neighbourhood/>](https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/plan-making/improve-your-neighbourhood/)

You may also find the advice in "*Planning for the Environment at the Neighbourhood Level*" useful. This has been produced by Historic England, Natural England, the



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Environment Agency and the Forestry Commission. As well as giving ideas on how you might improve your local environment, it also contains some useful further sources of information. This can be downloaded from:

[http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140328084622/http://cdn.environment-agency.gov.uk/LIT\\_6524\\_7da381.pdf](http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140328084622/http://cdn.environment-agency.gov.uk/LIT_6524_7da381.pdf)

If you envisage including new housing allocations in your plan, we refer you to our published advice available on our website, "Housing Allocations in Local Plans" as this relates equally to neighbourhood planning. This can be found at <https://content.historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/historic-environment-and-site-allocations-in-local-plans/heag074-he-and-site-allocation-local-plans.pdf>

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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